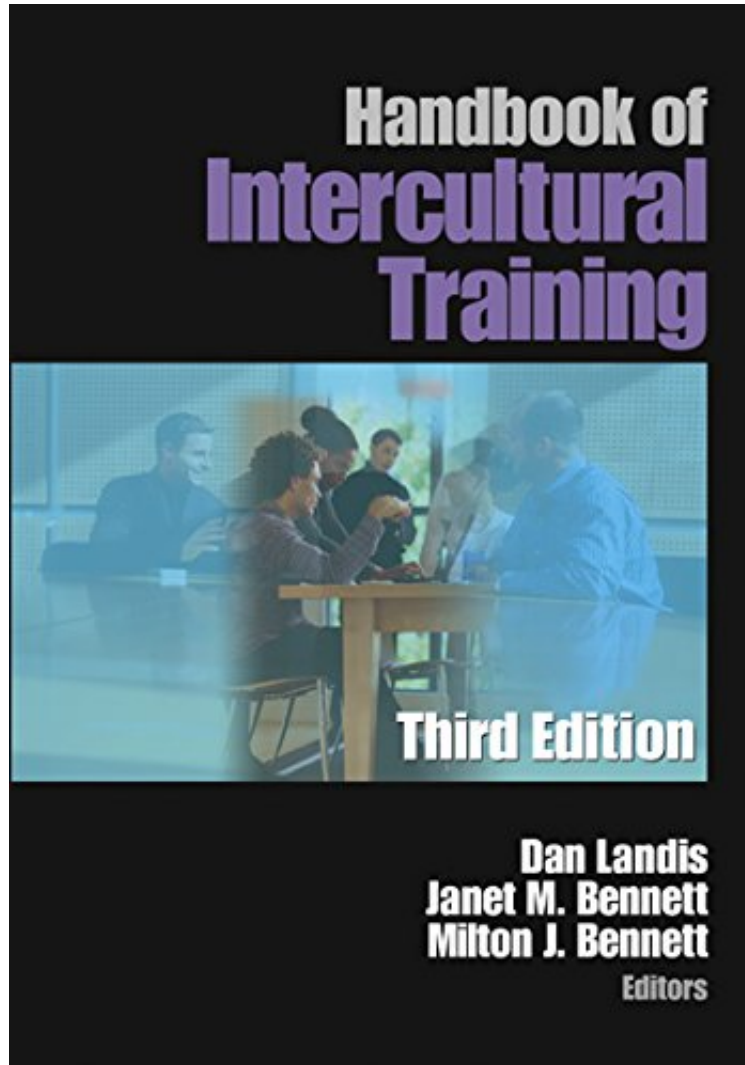


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Daniel (Dan) R. Landis, Janet M Bennett, Milton Bennett : Handbook of Intercultural Training before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Handbook of Intercultural Training:

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Critical Grad Student ReviewBy Critical GradThis was an assigned text for a graduate-level course on Intercultural Training with the University of Denver. What this book did well: I found it helpful that they discussed in detail the different types of cultural training methods. In doing so, they also weighed the pros and cons of each type of method. This is particularly valuable for the inexperienced intercultural trainer. Another part of the book I enjoyed was the history of the field. This brought some insight regarding the effectiveness of different training methods and demands of participants. What this book could have done better: Pretty

much the rest of the text. OK, that is not completely fair, but there are many chapters that left me scratching my head and wondering what this had to do with what we were learning about. It gave off the impression that the authors were struggling for content. I would have appreciate an increased amount of relevance and perhaps more case studies. There is a lack of consistency in voice between the different chapters due to different authors. Some chapters are quite easy to read and to the point while others are overly academic and vague. The "training implications" sections, in many cases, demonstrated that the authors had given no serious thought as to how their findings might effect intercultural training. As such, they could have been left out. Final thoughts: I absolutely loved the second and third chapters and found the most use out of them. Unfortunately, they out-lived the majority of the other content. Some sections so work quite well, such as the chapter on long-term expatriation and reverse culture shock. If those sections could be compiled and worked into one, the text would have been great. I cannot say if there are any better intercultural training texts out there as I have not explored, but this particular text was quite painful.

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Four Stars
By Shannon Blood
Had some interesting ideas, approaches, and theories. The world could use more of this .
. 7 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Great support for a dissertation
By Michelle Kleiss
This handbook includes a thorough overview of the theories behind intercultural contact, including intercultural conflict. It highlights the instruments in the field of intercultural relations. The discussion about intercultural competencies is detailed. It has been extremely helpful with my dissertation process in choosing a theory to support my thesis on intercultural conflict in international and American schools overseas. This is an excellent handbook for anyone wanting to learn more about intercultural training and why we behave in a certain way in our intercultural experiences.

This handbook deals with the question of how people can best live and work with others who come from very different cultural backgrounds. Handbook of Intercultural Training provides an overview of current trends and issues in the field of intercultural training. Contributors represent a wide range of disciplines including psychology, interpersonal communication, human resource management, international management, anthropology, social work, and education. Twenty-four chapters, all new to this edition, cover an array of topics including training for specific contexts, instrumentation and methods, and training design.