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This book responds to the growing unease of educators and non-educators alike about the inadequacy of most current educational systems and programs to meet sufficiently the demands of fast changing societies. These systems and programs evolved and were developed in and for societies that have long been transformed, and yet no parallel transformation has taken place in the education systems they spawned. In the last twenty years or so, other sectors of society, such as transportation and communications systems, have radically changed the way they operate, but education has remained essentially the same. There is no doubt: education needs to change.

To those ready to accept this challenge, this book represents a welcome guide. Unlike most books on educational policy, this volume does not focus on improving existing educational systems but on changing them altogether. Its focus is not on doing things better, but on doing better things; not on doing things right, but on doing the right things to prepare students for a fast changing interdependent world.

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CHINA'S EMERGENT POLITICAL ECONOMY: CAPITALISM IN THE DRAGON'S LAIR, by Christopher A. McNally (ed.). London: Routledge, 2007. 288 pp. Cloth, \$150.00.

This edited volume represents the first collaborative effort to explicitly view China's rapid international ascent as associated with the same process that catapulted Great Britain, the United

States, Germany, and Japan to international prominence – the emergence of a capitalist political economy. Each chapter therefore applies the capitalist lens to analyze aspects of China’s monumental social, economic, and political transition. Topics addressed range from examinations of China’s industrial capitalism and its new multinational corporations to studies of China’s changing polity, state-media relations, and foreign policy.

With contributors writing from highly varied backgrounds each chapter approaches the subject from a slightly different perspective, but the underlying findings show considerable common ground. China is developing a unique form of capitalism by combining elements rooted in Chinese history, such as the prevalence of networked forms of capital and the continued dominance of the state, with the growing influence of global capital, including the rapid adaptation of recent organizational and technological innovations. Concluding chapters draw out what capitalism in the dragon’s lair implies for our 21st century world, cautioning that China’s rise is likely to challenge the present world order along both political and economic dimensions.

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POPULATION AGING, INTERGENERATIONAL TRANSFERS AND THE MACROECONOMY, by Robert Clark, Naohiro Ogawa, and Andrew Mason (eds.). Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2007. 320 pp. Cloth, \$125.00.

Population aging is a global phenomenon that influences not only the industrialized countries of Asia and the West, but also many middle- and low-income countries that have experienced rapid fertility decline and achieved long life expectancies. This book explores how workers and consumers are responding to population aging and examines how economic growth, generational equity, trade and international capital flows are influenced by population aging.

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