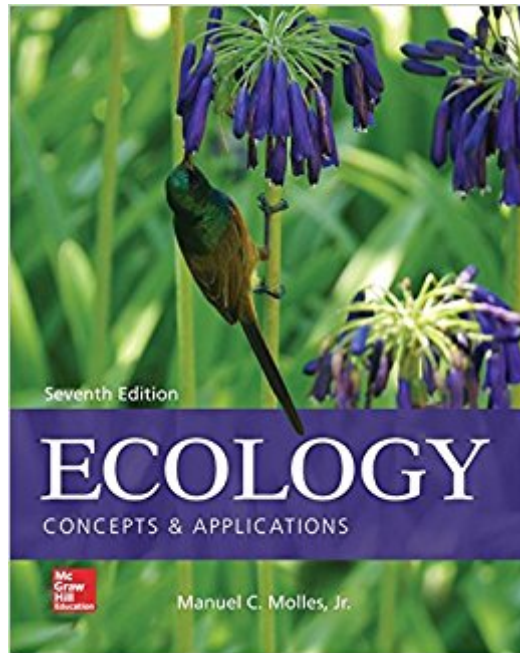




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Synopsis

Ecology: Concepts and Applications by Molles places great emphasis on helping students grasp the main concepts of ecology while keeping the presentation more applied than theoretical. An evolutionary perspective forms the foundation of the entire discussion. The book begins with the natural history of the planet, considers portions of the whole in the middle chapters, and ends with another perspective of the entire planet in the concluding chapter. Its unique organization of focusing only on several key concepts in each chapter sets it apart from other ecology texts. Users who purchase Connect Plus receive access to the full online ebook version of the textbook.

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Customer Reviews

Manuel Molles received his Ph.D. from the University of Arizona. He currently teaches at the University of New Mexico and is also Curator of Fishes and Aquatic Invertebrates. Dr. Molles has written and co-authored a number of publications on various ecology topics throughout his career, many of which he has presented at national and international conferences. Additionally, Dr. Molles was a Fulbright Scholar in Portugal.

This book contains a lot of information, and a lot of experiment examples in the text! For example, the book will make sure you know at least the general idea of the concepts, and provides real life examples of experiments done by researchers in the field of ecology! My teacher said the book sometimes contains irrelevant information to what we're learning, but so far I have no complaints.

Every chapter was so unnecessarily long and so dry that I could barely read it. Some of the areas were interestingly written but not many. It fleshed out entirely obvious concepts too often and elaborated for what seemed like endless amounts of time unnecessarily while barely explaining some of the slightly more complex material. My rental ran out halfway through the semester and I didn't bother to renew because the book wasn't much use anyway and my professor's notes were sufficient. The book wasn't terrible, but it wasn't good either.

This textbook was only somewhat usefull at best...Also made me pay full price for a semester long E-copy during finals week because I renewed the rental a day to late. Waste of time and money but I care more about passing the class than the money has successfully scammed me out of.

To be honest, I don't recommend this book unless it is required for your class (as it was in my case). While I can appreciate the fact that the material is presented with research, the layout leaves something to be desired. I feel like the flow from topic to topic isn't very smooth which leads to sometimes confusing notes on my end. If you need this book, hopefully your professor will cover the material in a much smoother way than the text itself.

Had to get for class what else can I say? But in good condition.

I really liked this text, but it seemed a bit dense sometimes. Overall though a great textbook, even though in the free market place there are potentially better texts on Ecology. Still, this is a superb text, just have the three-GEN BIO series at the university level under your belt, greatly helps!

Great buy

No rips, tears, and very light writing throughout it. Cannot do much about the material because you do not have a choice when it comes to required reading but it is far from the worst material I have been forced to read.

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