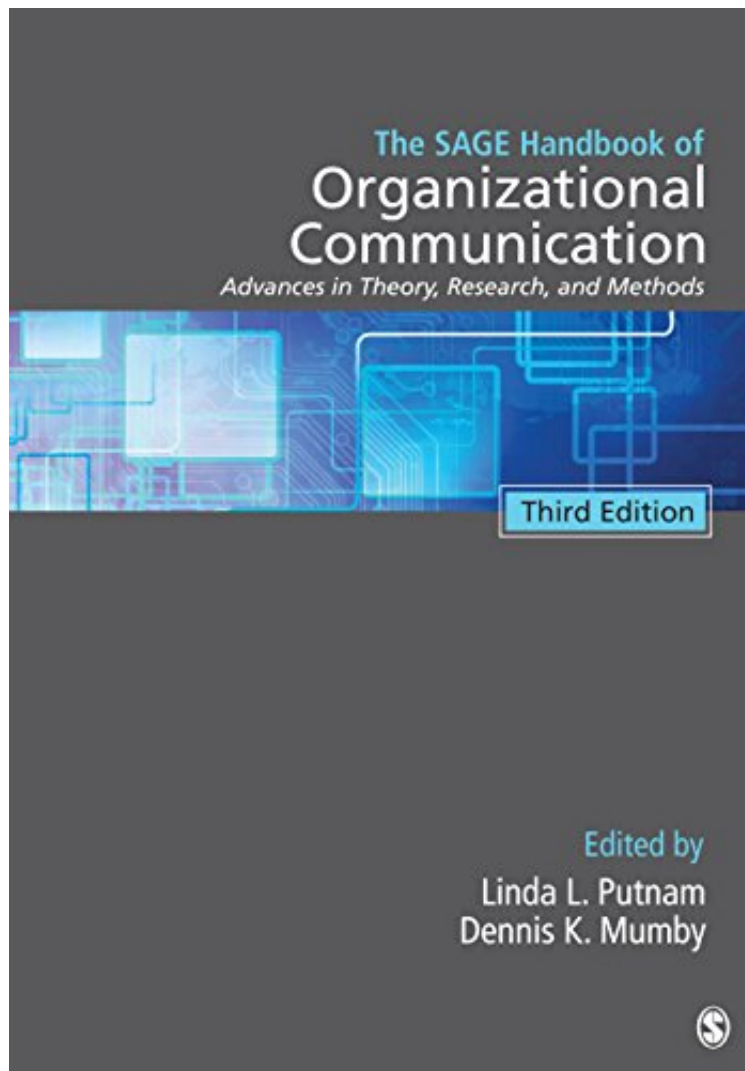


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thought out. I do have a few problems with some of the directions the content took. As I am an Org Comm social scientist, I'm amazed at how much of the book is now specifically geared towards interpretive and critical understandings of organizational communication. The most recent analysis of the research in Org Comm still demonstrated that quantitative research accounted for more than 50% of the content published within the field. However, this book is clearly not representative of the actual state of Org Comm today. Personally, I think the editor's skewed the book (probably unconsciously) in a single direction that isn't truly representative of the field today.

Organizational communication as a field of study has grown tremendously over the past thirty years. This growth is characterized by the development and application of communication perspectives to research on complex organizations in rapidly changing environments. Completely re-conceptualized, *The SAGE Handbook of Organizational Communication, Third Edition*, is a landmark volume that weaves together the various threads of this interdisciplinary area of scholarship. This edition captures both the changing nature of the field, with its explosion of theoretical perspectives and research agendas, and the transformations that have occurred in organizational life with the emergence of new forms of work, globalization processes, and changing organizational forms. Exploring organizations as complex and dynamic, the Handbook brings a communication lens to bear on multiple organizing processes.

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