Social Problems: Continuity and Change is a realistic but motivating look at the many issues that are facing our society today. As this book's subtitle, Continuity and Change, implies, social problems are persistent, but they have also improved in the past and can be improved in the present and future, provided that our nation has the wisdom and will to address them.

The pioneering European sociologists, however, also offered a broad conceptualization of the fundamentals of society and its workings. Their views form the basis for today's theoretical perspectives, or paradigms, which provide sociologists with an orienting framework—a philosophical position—for asking certain kinds of questions about society and its people.

Three Major Perspectives in Sociology

The "women's rights are human rights" movement has used the language of human rights, which some proponents believe provides "the best chance of realizing the long sought after goal of gender equality," to criticize many assaults on women's dignity that were previously considered to be natural or inevitable (Panzer 2009, 45).

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