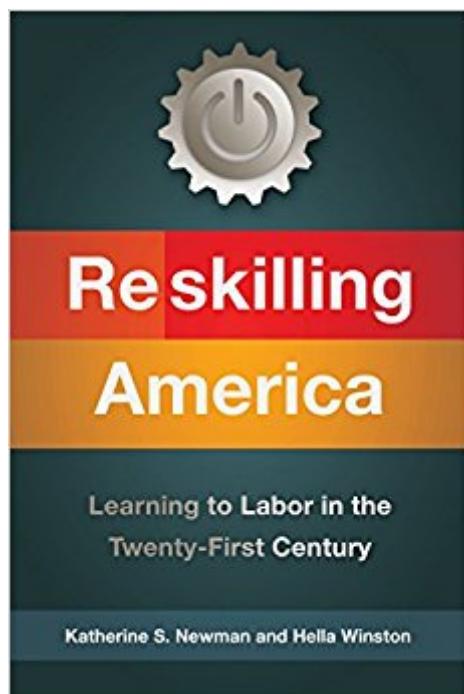


The book was found

Reskilling America: Learning To Labor In The Twenty-First Century



Synopsis

From Katherine Newman, award-winning author of *No Shame in My Game*, and sociologist Hella Winston, a sharp and irrefutable call to reenergize this nation's long-neglected system of vocational training. After decades of off-shoring and downsizing that have left blue collar workers obsolete and stranded, the United States is now on the verge of an industrial renaissance. But we don't have a skilled enough labor pool to fill the positions that will be created, which are in many cases technically demanding and require specialized skills. A decades-long series of idealistic educational policies with the expressed goal of getting every student to go to college has left a generation of potential workers out of the system. Touted as a progressive, egalitarian institution providing opportunity even to those with the greatest need, the American secondary school system has in fact deepened existing inequalities. We can do better, argue acclaimed sociologists Katherine Newman and Hella Winston. Taking a page from the successful experience of countries like Germany and Austria, where youth unemployment is a mere 7%, they call for a radical reevaluation of the idea of vocational training, long discredited as an instrument of tracking. The United States can prepare a new, high-performance labor force if we revamp our school system to value industry apprenticeship and rigorous technical education. By doing so, we will not only be able to meet the growing demand for skilled employees in dozens of sectors where employers decry the absence of well trained workers -- we will make the American Dream accessible to all.

Book Information

Hardcover: 272 pages

Publisher: Metropolitan Books (April 19, 2016)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1627793283

ISBN-13: 978-1627793285

Product Dimensions: 6.4 x 1 x 9.8 inches

Shipping Weight: 1 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 starsÂ See all reviewsÂ (6 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #164,047 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #15 inÂ Books > Education & Teaching > Higher & Continuing Education > Vocational #107 inÂ Books > Business & Money > Economics > Labor & Industrial Relations #108 inÂ Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Politics & Government > Specific Topics > Labor & Industrial Relations

Customer Reviews

This book helps the reader to understand why the ubiquitous sound byte "college for all" is an abject failure in practice, rather than the panacea for socio-economic inequality."At hundreds of colleges,"

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Reskilling America: Learning to Labor in the Twenty-First Century Twenty-First-Century Kids, Twenty-First-Century Librarians For Democracy, Workers, and God: Labor Song-Poems and Labor Protest, 1865-95 (Working Class in American History) Labor Economics: Introduction to Classic and the New Labor Economics Deeper Learning: How Eight Innovative Public Schools Are Transforming Education in the Twenty-First Century Understanding the Social Security Act: The Foundation of Social Welfare for America in the Twenty-First Century A Richer Heritage: Historic Preservation in the Twenty-First Century Sri Lanka in Pictures (Visual Geography (Twenty-First Century)) Lebanon in Pictures (Visual Geography (Twenty-First Century)) Turkey in Pictures (Visual Geography (Twenty-First Century)) The Next American Revolution: Sustainable Activism for the Twenty-First Century One Out of Three: Immigrant New York in the Twenty-First Century Down and Delirious in Mexico City: The Aztec Metropolis in the Twenty-First Century A History of Women's Menstruation from Ancient Greece to the Twenty-First Century: Psychological, Social, Medical, Religious, and Educational Issues Fatal Invention: How Science, Politics, and Big Business Re-create Race in the Twenty-first Century Gender and Difference in a Globalizing World: Twenty-First-Century Anthropology When We Fight, We Win: Twenty-First-Century Social Movements and the Activists That Are Transforming Our World Conservation Is Our Government Now: The Politics of Ecology in Papua New Guinea (New Ecologies for the Twenty-First Century) Capital in the Twenty-First Century The Making of Urban Japan: Cities and Planning from Edo to the Twenty First Century (Nissan Institute/Routledge Japanese Studies)

[Dmca](#)