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I have taught the First Edition many times, and am looking forward to teaching this even better collection. My students have always been astonished and excited to think about women, gender, science and technology with these first-rate accounts. The additions to this Second Edition are superb; they promise to stimulate thought-provoking class discussions. – Sandra Harding, Graduate School of Education and Information Studies, University of California, Los Angeles

This revised and updated volume has increased its utility for women and SET courses by adding much needed information about the impacts of technology on women's lives and by including chapters that examine global SET issues. The editors' introductions to each section put the chapters in a broader, societal context. This book is useful both as a college textbook and as a valuable resource for scholars, SET faculty who want to recruit and retain women in their courses and majors, and administrators who desire a deeper understanding of the issues. -- Carol J. Burger, Associate Professor, Interdisciplinary Studies, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University

For professors looking for materials to complement curricular offerings in the cultural studies of science or literature and science, this volume provides a foundational, engaging, and very teachable account of the historical and sociological understanding of the intersection of women, science, and technology. In addition to essays on female Nobel Prize winners, the development of contraceptives and the vibrator, and the role of sexuality, ethnicity and race in the practice of science and technology, the volume pays welcome attention to agriculture, which is sure to become a major focus of science studies work in this new century. – Susan M. Squier, Brill Professor of Women's Studies and English, The Pennsylvania State University

The consequences of being female in disciplines initially designed by and for males significantly affect the career opportunities and paths for many women striving to contribute their full talents. These reports illuminate culturally embedded challenges, validate experiences and inform strategies to accelerate our achievements. – Sherra E. Kerns, *F. W. Olin Distinguished Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Olin College*

This second edition of *Women, Science, and Technology* is an excellent introduction to the range of issues that travel under the rubric of gender, science, and technology. By juxtaposing classic with newer essays, it once again demonstrates the depth and growth of this interdisciplinary field. -- Helen Longino, Professor of Philosophy, Stanford University

"In its second edition (1st ed., 2001) *Women, Science and Technology* provides and updated, more accessible resource for students...this is a significantly improved edition that is valuable for university collections." *Choice*, January 2009

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