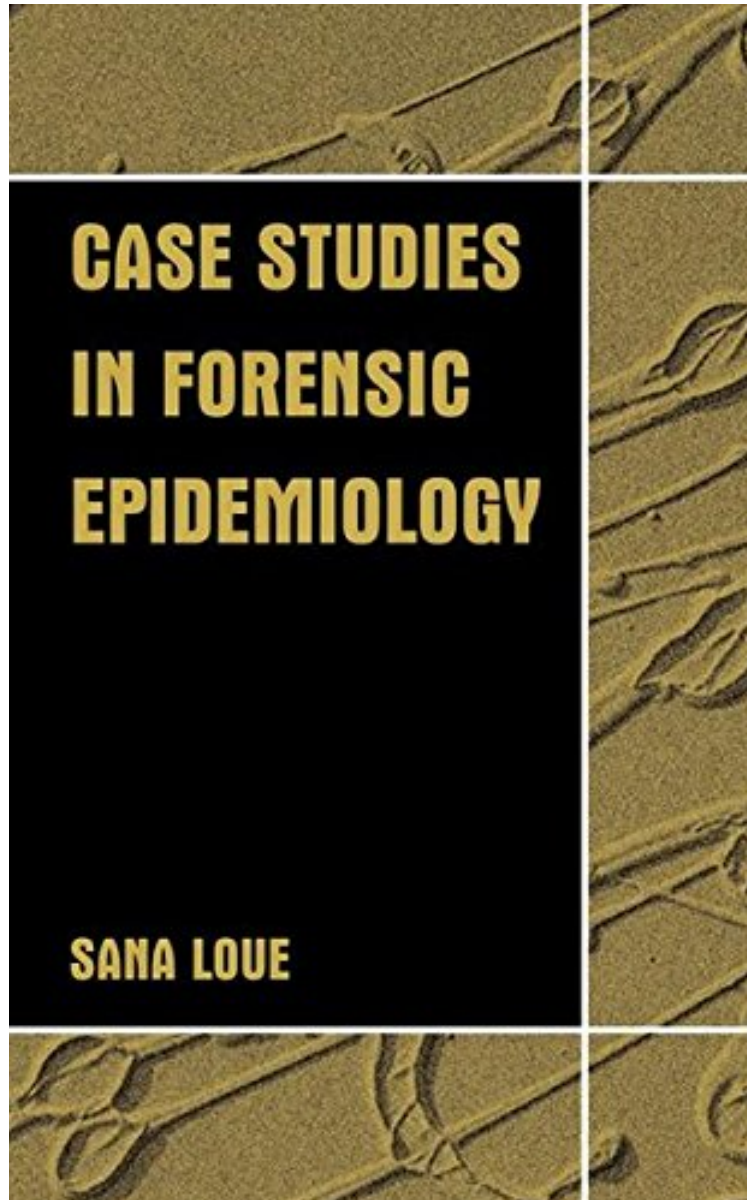


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anything, ie including gender, homosexuality/sexuality, breast implants, needle-exchange and medical marijuana. The course itself is very misleading, but required - because gender is not epidemiology and certainly not forensic epidemiology - it's a choice. And Dr. Loue gets any review on her books, that have a panoramic view of Epidemiology, removed. The problem with Dr. Loue in this book is the inclusion of topics to do with gender, and her issues, problems are not topics of General Epidemiology. This comes across as forcing LGBT on students who have chosen not to be that - in the book - which is wrong. Case Western Reserve University also pushes gender studies as women's studies, and it isn't. Dr. Loue needs to address the fact that many don't agree with her on her issues, and want her not to be forcing topics, or positions, as part of a course, a grade, or a book purporting to be General Epidemiology anything. Her books then get required for her required courses at Case Western - and she sends people running out of Epidemiology. She also will come into class and show Aronofsky movies for a whole day ie Requiem for a Dream, movies that have nothing to do with Epidemiology or her books. When students say anything they are dismissed from the program - because she authors so many irrelevant books - including a ridiculous Textbook of Women's Medicine. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Review from The Journal of Legal Medicine By A Customer "Case Studies in Forensic Epidemiology is an important and valuable contribution to the literature in this field. It is an interesting, well organized, and easy to read book that continues Dr. Loue's good work in bridging the gap between the scientific and legal communities. The case studies chosen for this book highlight the impact and importance of this emerging profession to the fields of science, health care, and the law and to the welfare of society more broadly."

Epidemiology has often been defined as the study of the distribution of disease, together with the distribution of factors that may modify that risk of disease. As such, epidemiology has often been reduced to a methodology only, providing a mechanism for the study of disease that is somehow removed, separate and apart from the populations that serve as its focus. Epidemiology, however, is much more than that. The discipline provides a way of perceiving and knowing the world, and of relating to the communities whose health and disease patterns we are trying to understand. As such, its usefulness extends past the construction of questionnaires, the detective work inherent in tracing the source of an infection or the analysis of data. Rather, epidemiology serves as a point of reference and a linkage between various domains of reality: in the courtroom, between a community's injuries and those alleged to be responsible for those violations; between the community striving to effectuate changes to improve its health and environment and the lawmakers and policymakers whose actions may dictate or control the likelihood of that change; and between mainstream populations and those who become or remain marginalized and stigmatized due to disease or perceived disease.

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