

# Technology and Society: Social Networks, Work, and Inequality



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Technology—whether crude tools in the Stone Age or smart phones in the twenty-first century—has always found its way into our everyday lives, as we work and play. But how does that technology influence and change our society? In *Technology and Society*, a new text in the Themes in Canadian Sociology series, author Anabel Quan-Haase examines those places in which technology and society intersect, connecting the reality of our technological age to issues of social networks, work, and inequality. The text also places an emphasis on experiential learning, serving as a bridge between abstract, theoretical thinking about technology and real-life events and experiences: issues and examples plucked from readers' daily realities clearly illustrate the history and concepts that form the foundational chapters of the book. The result is an action-oriented volume, one that initiates curiosity and sparks a desire to know more about technology and society: what the tools we use are, where they come from, and how they are changing our perceptions of ourselves and the relationships we form with others.