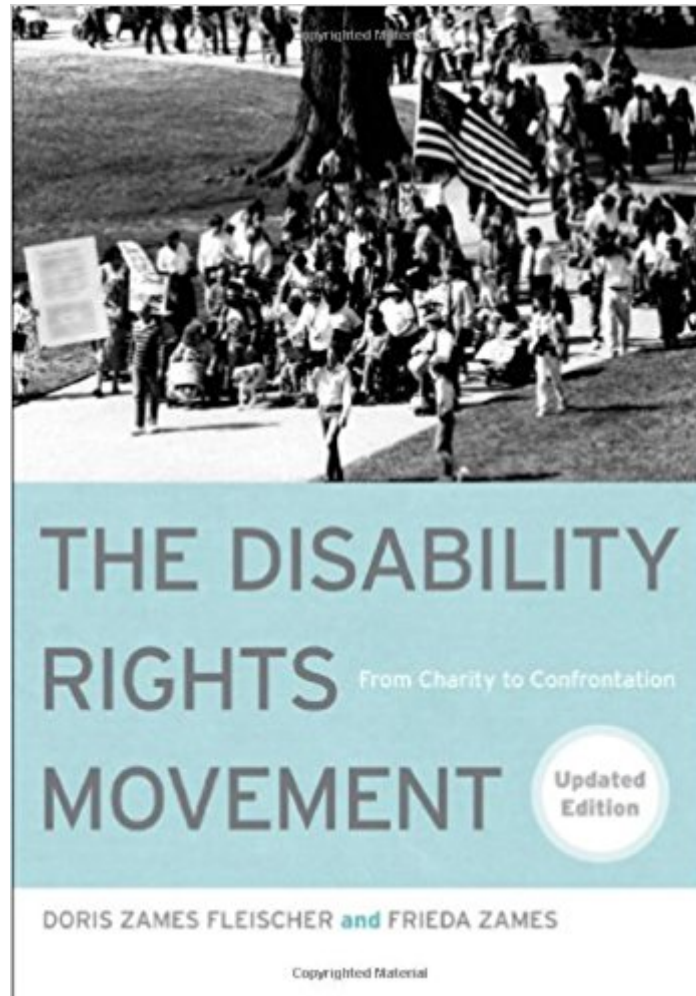




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Fleischer (humanities and social sciences, New Jersey Inst. of Technology) and disability rights activist Zames (emeritus, mathematics, New Jersey Inst. of Technology) conducted close to 100 interviews to compile the research for this study on the disability rights movement in the United States. The book takes a historical look at the social context of the rights of the vast number of Americans who are disabled and the ever-evolving attitude toward them, from the time of Franklin Roosevelt to today. Also addressed are the multiple aspects of disability, with updated information about the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act and a detailed chronology dating back to 1817. This work is geared toward the research needs of college students and would be a useful addition to academic libraries wanting an overall study on the subject. Monica Maldonado Doman, Cypress Coll. Lib., CA Copyright 2001 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

"[M]akes an impressive contribution to the understanding of how social movements arise, organize and effectively address entrenched challenges of discrimination and social injustice.... the book is readable and engaging. It should be consulted by anyone interested in knowing how people who are discriminated against can overcome and bring about substantive social change." -Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare

I liked how the book considered events from even today as part of the disability rights movement; some people I know are even part of it. However, the book does not go in chronological order, nor does it go in much detail about key events. I think the writers need to remember that the moments they discuss in this book are not commonly discussed in school. I would like to see a book that goes into as much detail about disability rights as a book would go into the civil right's movement.

Great book on this important history. So glad it was updated and others can learn how disabled folks have fought valiantly and smartly for their rights.

Really good read about the Disability Rights Movement.

As a mom with a child with special needs...I appreciate this book.

Very good and informative

I wish I could give this book more than 5 stars bc I learned so much and I loved it

Reads like an encyclopedia.

This is my personal opinion, it may be considered bias in some ways. The book is good reading because personally there is general information and other things I did not know or heard about before. Therefore, I appreciate what I've learned so far. Yet, the author speaks of a lot of people and organizations and does not explain what they are, making me feel like I should had known what it is or I find myself stopping and looking things up online. The author also writes as if she is conversating with someone and again does not share who she is talking about, she just mentions names and expects us to know who she is talking about; she does this throughout the book. Some people that keep up with the news and the government activities and reads stuff all the time may know who the people are but not a lot of us like me. So you have to spend more time finding out who is who and read about them so you can compare what she is saying in the book. Yet, some of the people she uses she just using them but does not elaborate much but just to mentioned them, and I do not get that. Also, the author sounds like she is giving good information yet at the same time she is opinionated and bias at the same time throughout the book. I am using this book for a

disability and policy class this semester. I don't have anything against the author, just that for school I want to rely more on facts and proofs, and the feelings and thoughts is fine but not 100% concerning class.

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