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# From the Authority on Victimology

An internationally recognized pioneer in the assessment and treatment of victims of trauma and abuse, and named 2016 Living Legend by the *American Academy of Nursing*, Ann Wolbert Burgess, RN, DNSc, FAAN, has dedicated her career to the study of victims, offenders, and the impact of crime on society. We are honored to have worked with Dr. Burgess again on this updated third edition of ***Victimology: Theories and Applications*** as she continues to offer her years of research and real-world experiences working with victims, offenders, FBI, and law enforcement from the courtroom to the classroom.

Dr. Burgess is professor of Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing at Boston College's Connell School of Nursing. She received her bachelors and doctoral degrees from Boston University and her masters degree from the University of Maryland. She cofounded, with Lynda Lytle Holmstrom (Boston College), one of the first hospital-based crisis intervention programs for rape victims at Boston City Hospital. She then worked with FBI Academy special agents to study serial offenders, and the links between child abuse, juvenile delinquency, and subsequent perpetration. **Her work with FBI criminal profilers in the Behavioral Science Unit can be seen in the new Netflix crime drama, *Mindhunter*, in which lead character Dr. Wendy Carr is based on the real-life expertise of Dr. Burgess and her collaboration with two FBI special agents.**

Throughout her career Dr. Burgess has testified as an expert witness in 31 states and has received grants and published articles on the topics of rape trauma, child sexual abuse, child pornography, serial offenders, crime classification, posttraumatic stress, elder abuse, and wounded warriors. She teaches courses in Victimology, Forensic Science, Forensic Mental Health, Case Studies in Forensics, and Forensic Science Lab.

## RECENT SELECTED APPOINTMENTS AND REWARDS

- 2016: Living Legend, American Academy of Nursing
- 2014: Visiting Professor, Uniform Services University Health Sciences
- 2013: Inaugural Living Legend Award from the New England Chapter of the American Psychiatric Nursing Association
- 2010: Sigma Theta Tau Hall of Fame, Sigma Theta Tau International
- 2010: Inductee, Sigma Theta Tau International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame
- 2009: Inaugural Ann Burgess Forensic Nursing Award, International Association of Forensic Nurses
- 2008: Interim Editor, Victims & Offenders
- 2007: University Distinguished Teaching Award, Boston College
- 2002–2003: Cardinal's Commission on Protection of Children, Boston Archdiocese
- 2001: Doctor of Humane Letters (honorary), University of San Diego

*"This text is very strong in content and will be replacing other texts in the field of victimology. I've been teaching victimology for many years and have never come across a text of this magnitude. The authors have dished-out, probably one of the best detailed and well-researched text in the field of victimology with instructors and students in mind. They've arranged chapters containing individual objectives, key terms, case studies, introduction, illustrative tables, well researched subject matter, summary, key terms, discussion questions, important resources for additional information, and references. What else do instructors and students want in a text? As a practitioner, academician, professional, and student-centered style professor of justice studies, I congratulate the authors for a well thought-out text. This is the template for new text to come."*

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