



Organizational Opportunity and Deviant Behavior

Convenience in White-Collar Crime

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Ever since Sutherland coined the term 'white-collar crime', researchers have struggled to understand and explain why some individuals abuse their privileged positions of trust and commit financial crime. This book makes a novel contribution to the development of convenience theory as a framework to understand and explain 'white-collar crime'.

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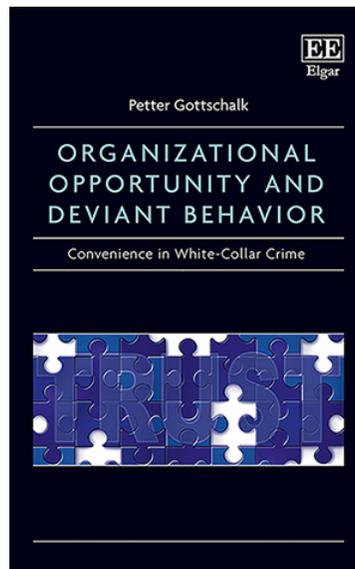
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'A comprehensive and insightful analysis of the complexities surrounding the causes, consequences, and control of individual level white-collar crime and organizational level corporate crime. Situating his analysis in convenience theory, Gottschalk summarizes and synthesizes an enormous body of literature from both American and European researchers and presents original case studies of white-collar crime in Norway that are sure to be of value for white-collar crime scholars and students worldwide.'

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