Record Nr. UNINA9910337689603321 Autore Maxwell Nicholas Titolo Science and Enlightenment: Two Great Problems of Learning / / by Nicholas Maxwell Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2019 **ISBN** 3-030-13420-2 Edizione [1st ed. 2019.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (115 pages) Collana SpringerBriefs in Philosophy, , 2211-4556 Disciplina 370.1 Soggetti Education - Philosophy Social sciences Humanities Philosophy Philosophy of Education **Humanities and Social Sciences** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Preface -- Chapter 1. Learning about the Universe and Learning how to Nota di contenuto Create an Enlightened World -- Chapter 2. The Enlightenment and the Romantic Opposition -- Chapter 3. The New Enlightenment -- Chapter 4. The New Enlightenment and Academic Inquiry -- Chapter 5. From Knowledge to Wisdom -- Chapter 6. Current Domination of Knowledge-Inquiry -- Chapter 7. How Would Wisdom-Inquiry Help? --Chapter 8. Questions and Objections -- Chapter 9 Summary and Conclusion. . Sommario/riassunto This book argues that two great problems of learning confront humanity: learning about the nature of the universe and about ourselves and other living things as a part of it; and learning how to become civilized. The author proposes that with the creation of modern science in the 17th century, the first problem was essentially solved. But the second problem has still not been solved today, and that combination of solving the first problem, but failing to solve the second one, puts us in a situation of unprecedented danger. All our current

global problems are the result. The 18th century Enlightenment tried to

solve the second great problem of achieving world enlightenment by learning from the solution to the first problem, but in implementing this idea, they made three serious blunders. These ancient blunders are still built into academia today. Correct the three blunders we have inherited from the Enlightenment, and we would have what we so urgently need: institutions of learning, universities and schools, rationally designed and devoted to helping us resolve our conflicts and global problems, and thus make progress towards a good, genuinely civilized world. Science and Enlightenment: Two Great Problems of Learning will interest a broad audience, ranging from academics, university students and teachers; journalists, politicians and general readers concerned about global problems and the fate of the world.