Record Nr. UNINA9910453619203321 Autore Schwehn Mark R. <1945-> Titolo Exiles from Eden: religion and the academic vocation in America // Mark R. Schwehn [[electronic resource]] New York: .: Oxford University Press. , 2020 Pubbl/distr/stampa 0-19-756230-2 **ISBN** 0-19-534626-2 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (160 p.) Collana Oxford scholarship online Disciplina 378.12 College teachers - United States - Intellectual life Soggetti Universities and colleges - United States - Religion College teaching - United States - Philosophy Education, Higher - Aims and objectives - United States Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Previously issued in print: 1993. Note generali Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Contents; 1. The Academic Vocation; 2. Communities of Learning; 3. Spirited Inquiry; 4. Questions and Considerations; 5. Adams's Education; 6. Conclusion: Adam's Exile; Index; A; B; C; D; E; F; G; H; I; J; K; L; M; N; O; P; R; S; T; U; V; W Schwehn argues that Max Weber and several of his contemporaries led Sommario/riassunto higher education astray by stressing research-the making and transmitting of knowledge-at the expense of shaping moral character. Schwehn sees an urgent need for a change in orientation and calls for a "spiritually grounded education in and for thoughtfulness." The reforms he endorses would replace individualistic behavior, the "doing my own work" syndrome derived from the Enlightenment, with a communitarian ethic grounded in Judeo-Christian spirituality. Schwehn critiques philosophies of higher education he considers misguided, from Weber and Henry Adams to Derek Bok, Allan Bloom, and William G. Perry Jr. He draws out valid insights, always showing the theological underpinnings of the so-called secular thinkers.