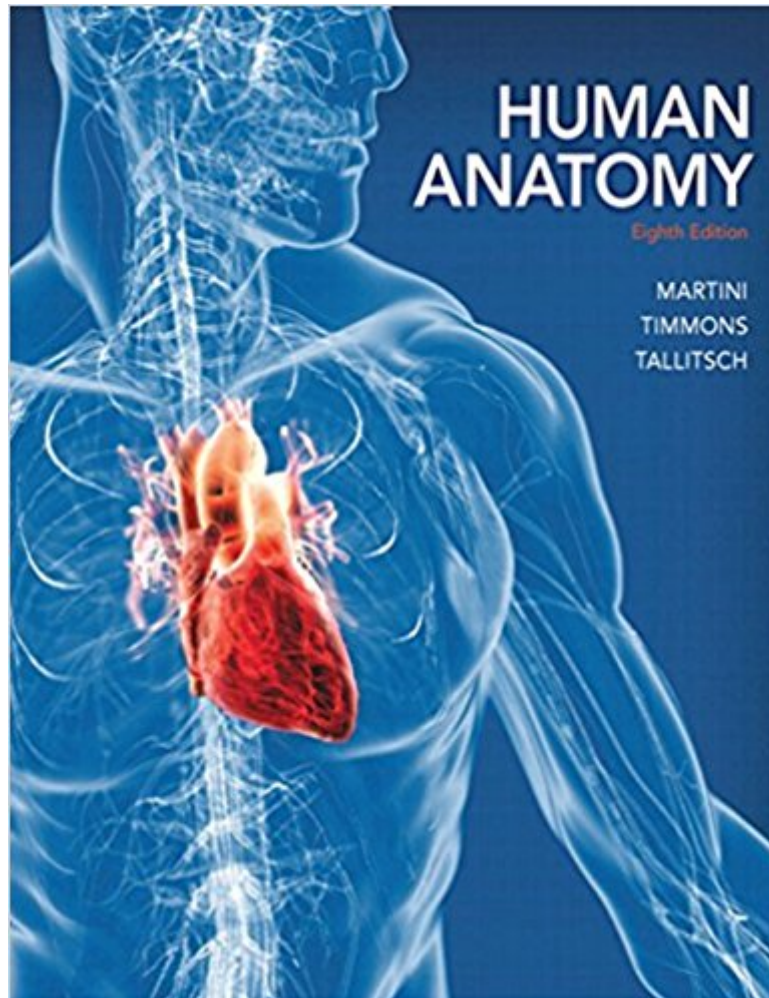




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I bought this book with an eye to educate myself on human anatomy and physiology. I wanted a systemic view of the entire body and systems and this book has not disappointed. It is written at a college level and if you are looking for a "wiki-level" view of anatomy this is probably overkill for you. If you are looking for a comprehensive undergraduate level of knowledge then this is a good start. I did purchase used and there are lots of highlighter marks on pages but I was looking to save money so they don't bother me.

This book has helped me a lot in my gross anatomy course. When I'm not in the cadaver lab or even when I am and I need a quick reference to help me identify structures, this book has been the best. Some of the other books that have cartoony drawings don't always translate well to the human body. Being able to see pictures of real cadavers helps. I would recommend this book for anyone taking an anatomy course where you identify things from a cadaver or cadaver pictures.

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