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**Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology Online**

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The *Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology Online* provides an innovative resource for the academic community in sociology. Updated regularly with new material, this vast online library gives instant access to the most authoritative and up-to-date scholarship in the field.

- Since 2007, there have been 19 batches of updates published which have revised 227 online entries and added 90 new entries to the online encyclopedia.
- Use the List of Entries on the left side menu to view a comprehensive list of original, new, and updated entries.

**Beginning in October 2015**, hundreds of new and revised entries prepared for the forthcoming second edition in print will begin to publish here as online updates to the existing online reference work. Libraries must purchase annual update packages in order to have access to the revised and expanded work publishing online. The second edition in print will be ready for publication in several years.

**"The most up-to-date work on this topic... Essential." Choice**

## Logo



## URL

<http://www.sociologyencyclopedia.com/public/>

## Subject

Sociology-Encyclopedias

## Accessibility

On subscription

## Language

English

## Publisher

Blackwell publishing

## Brief History

The Encyclopedia was published simultaneously in print and online in January 2007. It is the first new major reference works in Sociology for a generation. It is published simultaneously in both print and online versions to provide users with the opportunity to access this key resource in the most convenient manner.

## Scope and Coverage

The encyclopedia has included all the articles under 5 headings:

### Subject

<input type="checkbox"/> Anthropology	Law
Art	Life and Physical Sciences
Banking and Finance	<input type="checkbox"/> Linguistics
<input type="checkbox"/> Business and Management	Literature
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Economics	Politics
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Sociology

### Place

<input type="checkbox"/> Africa	<input type="checkbox"/> Asia
<input type="checkbox"/> Americas	<input type="checkbox"/> Europe
	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle and Near East

### Period

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### People

Baudrillard, Jean	Buddha
Bauman, Zygmunt	Chicago School
Beauvoir, Simone de	Chomsky, Noam
Beck, Ulrich	Confucius
Bourdieu, Pierre	Cooley, Charles Horton

### Key Topics

adolescence	alliances
age	animism
agency	anomie
aggression	anti-Semitism
AIDS	assimilation and exclusion

This encyclopedia has 1962 articles on various topics on sociology.

## Kind of Information

- The article starts with the name of the article and the author.
- The subject of the articles, with DOI number.
- Then the article is started and the end of the article, there are list of bibliography and selected websites.
- At the left pan of the page, there is a bibliographic detail.
- Table of contents

### *Special Features*

- ❖ The online version offers:
  - Continuous and immediate 24/7 access to a major new resource for Sociological resource for students and academics
  - Powerful searching and browsing capabilities
  - Extensive cross-referencing and Open URL technology
  - An accessible, easy to navigate user interface
  - Self administered access
  - Industry standard usage reporting
  - MARC records support
- ❖ *Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology Online* is available to institutions as a subscription or a one-time purchase giving library unlimited access to the resource.
- ❖ The articles are arranged according to their key topics and the name of the famous people in the field. One can select an article from the list.

### *Arrangement Pattern*

The list of entries is associated with an excel sheet at the home page of the encyclopedia and in this excel sheet there is an option to arrange all the articles according to A-Z alphabets, Z-A alphabets etc.

### *Remarks*

In this website, the all reviews on this encyclopedia are listed, these are:

- ❖ **The encyclopedia named a Best Reference Work for 2009.** It is an example of a reference book turned into an e-product intelligently and in a way that transcends the print, i.e., one can find more and do more online. It includes 1,962 definitions and explanations of the key concepts in sociology, with expanded essays on major topics within the field and a time line of over 600 key events in sociological history (published in *Library Journal*).
- ❖ It is the most up-to-date work on the dynamic topics on sociology for lower-level undergraduates through faculty/researchers (published in *Choice*).
- ❖ The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology will increase students' understanding of important concepts, people, and trends in social sciences, and serve as a ready reference for scholars and teachers who need a well developed but concise

exposition of a concept. It can be recommended for purchase in academic libraries (published in *Reference Reviews*).

- ❖ Attractive, easy to use and pleasingly set out, the site offers features that work well and are refreshingly straightforward. There are useful bibliographical references at the end of each entry, and it is possible to find related topics of interest very quickly (published in *Information World Review*).
- ❖ This work will be an important addition to large university libraries with sociological departments. It represents important scholarship in this field and will be a resource that will be well used and reliable (published in *American Reference Books Annual*).
- ❖ As a product aimed at students, lecturers, and researchers, The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology Online provides both the depth and breadth required to meet a variety of individual needs. With its multiannual updates and added entries, the editor has created a resource of continued relevancy in a field with an important mission of exploring current social issues as well as providing historical context"  
*Charleston Review*

### *Comparable Tools*

- The Concise Encyclopedia of Sociology  
(<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/book/10.1002/9781444392654>)
- Routledge Sociology Online  
(<http://www.routledgeonline.com/sociology/Book.aspx?id=w644>)
- Wikipedia  
([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main\\_Page](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page))
- Britannica.com  
(<http://www.britannica.com/>)

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