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The latest updates newsletter for the Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology ONLINE includes a listing of the recent updates to the Encyclopedia, as well as news, reviews, and a sneak preview of future entries. We're very pleased to announce that the Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology was recently selected as a best reference work by *Library Journal*. See the reviews section for more details.

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Reviews - NEW!

Named a Best Reference Work for 2009 by Library Journal!

"This is an example of a reference book turned into an e-product intelligently and in a way that transcends the print, i.e., you can find more and do more online. It includes 1,800 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."

Library Journal

"The most up-to-date work on this topic ... Essential. Lower-level undergraduates through faculty/researchers."
Choice

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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."

Information World Review

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New Entries for spring 2010

A selection of entries listed in this update include descriptions, to see full text of entries, visit www.sociologyencyclopedia.com

Adolescent Sexual Health – Sarah Kendig

The sexual health of adolescents is an important and controversial topic among policymakers, social researchers and the public worldwide. Even though one in five people in the world is an adolescent and sexual activity in adolescence is common, the sexual development of adolescents is often seen as problematic and often deviant, especially for girls.

Anarchism and Urban Planning – Charalambos Tsekeris and Theodore Tsekeris Panteion

Apophatic Reflexivity – Charalambos Tsekeris & Anna Lydaki

Committed Social Psychology – Stamos Papastamou & Gerasimos Prodromitis & Charalambos Tsekeris

Corporate Social Responsibility – Paul Dean

Environmental Problems – Riley E. Dunlap

Fitness Culture – Roberta Sassatelli

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Gay and Lesbian Politics – Danielle Antoinette Hidalgo & Tracy Royce

Gendered Professions – Marina Loos

International Monetary Fund – Susan Hagood Lee

M.A.U.S.S – David Graeber & Frédéric Vandenberghe

Mediology – Frederic Vandenberghe

Meta-Power – Patrick McGinty, Tom R. Burns & Peter M. Hall

Meta-power is a process defining the capacity to construct the conditions, rules, and institutional formations under which individual and collective actors mobilize and apply resources to accomplish their intentions. Such structuring may involve the manipulation of norms and values as well as institutional arrangements. The conceptualization of meta-power breaks with the past by extending understanding of power and control over social structures across time and space.

Microcredit – Becky Hsu

Neurath, Otto (1882-1945) – Michelle Henning

Positive Sociology – Robert Stebbins

Prosumer – Nathan Jurgenson

Scheler, Max (1874-1928) – Frederic Vandenberghe

Scheler, a German catholic philosopher and social theorist, developed his own intuitive brand of phenomenology; proposed a material ethics of values as a systematic alternative to Kant's formal ethics; presented a series of subtle phenomenological investigations of emotions like shame, guilt, repentance, resentment, sympathy, love and hate; laid the foundations of philosophical anthropology and sketched out, towards the end of a his life, a panentheistic metaphysics in which God progressively becomes, manifests and realises Himself in and through human history.

[Social Bond](#) – James J. Chriss

[Status Shield](#) – Ken Kolb

[Stereotype Threat](#) – Kerry S. Kleyman & Markus Kemmelmeier

[System Justification Theory](#) – Markus Kemmelmeier

[Think Tanks](#) – Thomas Medvetz

[Transport and Virtual Technologies](#) – Charalambos Tsekeris & Theodore Tsekeris

This entry examines how traffic congestion, as well as the increasing complexity of trip making in most major metropolitan areas, has encouraged the adoption of advanced virtual technologies for transmitting (real-time) geospatial travel information to transport network users.

[Unpredictability](#) – Ioannis Katerelos

[Virtual Communities](#) – Charalambos Tsekeris

[Weak Social Theory](#) – Charalambos Tsekeris & Nicos Katrivesis

[Winch, Peter](#) – William Sharrock

[World Bank](#) – Susan Hagood Lee

[World's Fairs \(International Expositions\)](#) – Kevin Fox Gotham

The first World's Fair took place in London in 1851 and, although of declining importance to the United States, they remain popular in Europe and throughout much of the rest of the world. World's Fairs are short-term events officially organized by nation-states with exhibits and displays (including, historically the Eiffel Tower among others), meant to display signs of socio-economic progress, technological development, and cultural advancement.

Updated Entries

- Brands and Branding
- Cloning
- Global Economy
- Great Depression
- Military Sociology
- Surplus Value
- Olympics
- Online Social Networking
- Popular Culture Icons: Jackson, Michael
- Same-Sex Marriage / Civil Unions
- Sport, Alternative

Forthcoming Entries

The eleventh update will feature additional new entries as well as updates to existing entries to keep the Online Encyclopedia at the cutting edge of sociology. Some of the planned new entries include:

[Artisans, Sociology of](#) – Koniordos Sokratis

[Burning Man](#) – Katherine Chen

[Film Studies](#) – Anna Lydaki

[French Revolution](#) – Andrew Wernick

[Hijra](#) – Najib Azca

[Sexualities Across the Life Course](#) – Laura Carpenter

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