

Sociology of Death and Dying OER and Affordable Content guide

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[Michael Kearl's Sociology of Death and Dying](#). Website with links

This site explores the complex area of death and dying in American culture. The site is replete with links to numerous topics and issues surrounding the concept of death. Also included are life calculation predictors for individuals visiting the site.

[Plague Diaries: Firsthand Accounts of Epidemics, 430 B.C. to A.D. 1918](#)

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This project originated in response to the Covid-19 pandemic sweeping the globe and its various knock-on effects. We created a small collection of openly available primary documents discussing epidemics from the past, such as the Black Death in Europe in the mid-fourteenth century and smallpox hitting northern Michigan in the nineteenth. Our initial goal was to highlight similarities between past outbreaks and modern ones, including Covid-19. To that end, there are questions presented at the end of each source that inquire about parallels that can be drawn between then and now.

[Introduction to Sociology, 2e by OpenStax](#). Open Textbook. Free online, low cost print.

[Chapter 13: Aging and the Elderly](#)

Instructor and student resources are available.

[Nursing Care at the End of Life: What Every Clinician Should Know](#). Open textbook. Includes chapters on; Conceptual Frameworks Guiding Death & Dying, Diversity in Dying: Death across Cultures.

Library eBooks with Unlimited UAS user access:

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[Endings : A Sociology of Death and Dying](#)

Kearl, Michael C.

1989

[Death, Dying, and Bereavement : Contemporary Perspectives, Institutions, and Practices](#)

Stillion, Judith M and Attig, Thomas

2015

[Dying and Death in 18th-21st Century Europe](#)

Teodorescu, Adriana and Rotar, Marius

2011

[Young People's Experiences of Loss and Bereavement : Towards an Interdisciplinary Approach](#)

Ribbens McCarthy, Jane

2006