An Invitation to Join

Become a part of a growing, diverse and multidisciplinary organization that nurtures and supports professionals who work in dying, death and bereavement.

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Who We Are:

In 1976, a group of interested educators and clinicians organized the Forum for Death Education and Counseling. Over the years, the organization grew to become the Association for Death Education and Counseling® (ADEC). ADEC is the oldest interdisciplinary organization in the field of dying, death and bereavement. Its nearly 2,000 members include a wide array of educators, psychologists, counselors, mental health personnel, bereavement coordinators, clergy, hospice professionals and funeral directors.

The primary goal of ADEC is to enhance the ability of professionals to meet the needs of those with whom they work in death education and grief counseling.

Together we:

- Promote excellence and recognize diversity in death education, care of the dying, grief counseling and research in thanatology.
- Provide information, support and resources to our international, multicultural, multidisciplinary membership and, through them, to the public.
- Facilitate the sharing of research, theory and practice in death, dying and bereavement.
Join ADEC today!
When you become a member of ADEC, you’ll enjoy these benefits:

- **Reduced registration fees** for the ADEC Annual Conference, the premier event in the field of dying, death education and bereavement; and a variety of distance education offerings.

- A **free subscription to The Forum**, the official ADEC publication; each of the quarterly, electronic issues includes articles written for and by leading specialists in the field.

- **Complimentary subscriptions to three leading professional journals**: *Death Studies*, *Omega: The Journal of Death and Dying* and *Grief Matters: The Australian Journal of Grief and Bereavement*. Plus, discounted subscriptions to several additional journals, including *Mortality* and *Living with Loss*.

- The **bi-monthly member e-newsletter ADEC Connects**, which offers the most up-to-date information about what’s going on in ADEC, helpful resources submitted for and by members, and news about upcoming educational opportunities.

- **Listing in the public “Find a Specialist” directory**, which allows members of the public to locate service providers among our membership.

Visit the ADEC website at [www.adec.org](http://www.adec.org)
Benefits of membership:

- **Exclusive online resources for members**, including a searchable member directory, access to tools and resources on the members-only section of the website and networking through ADEC’s private LinkedIn page.

- **A bi-weekly subscription to *The Thanatology NewsBrief***, a digest of headlines and news related to death, dying and loss.

- **Reduced rates for ADEC’s professional Certification in Thanatology** program, which sets the standard for professionals working in dying, death and bereavement and helps professionals demonstrate their mastery of knowledge of thanatology-related issues and ongoing developments in the field.

- **Networking and information exchange**, volunteer opportunities on committees and task forces, professional recognition through ADEC’s awards program, and connectivity with thanatology professionals worldwide.

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“ADEC...it’s a place for sharing, learning and support.”

Greg Adams, LCSW, FT
The Association for Death Education and Counseling® envisions a world in which dying, death and bereavement are recognized as fundamental and significant aspects of the human experience.

ADEC membership is available for individuals, institutions, students and seniors.

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“I continue to be actively involved in ADEC because, more than any other professional organization to which I belong, there is a wonderful blend of heart, mind and spirit among the members.”

John R. Jordan, PhD, FT