Psychodynamic Psychology III: Freud

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This course provides a basic introduction to foundational Freudian concepts and clinical techniques. It takes a historical perspective in tracing the evolution of these ideas across Freud’s career. In order to encourage a direct encounter with Freud’s writing, there is no textbook. The reading will be reinforced and supplemented by class lectures and group discussion.

Objectives

1. Enhance students’ understanding of basic Freudian concepts and clinical techniques.
2. Enhance students’ ability to integrate theoretical material with their clinical understanding
3. Provide a further foundation for deeper exploration of psychodynamic theory

Text/Readings

All of the class readings are available in the PEP database of the digital library. Additional resources include:


Evaluation of Learning

There will be three evaluation of student learning elements:

Final Exam: Due one week after the last class. The final will be an open book exam consisting of a case history with questions that cover the course content. Each question is to be answered with a 3-5 paragraph response. Students must answer the questions using citations from Freud’s writing. Textbooks are not an acceptable citation source for this assignment.

Class Participation: is an integral aspect of this course, this includes participating in class discussions and asking questions about the readings or concepts being discussed.

Grading: Grades will be based on the following formula:
Class Participation 25%
Final Exam: 75%

Attendance is mandatory. Absences should be limited to emergencies and cleared in advance with the instructor.

Students should use APA formatting for formal papers. All sources (books, articles, Internet, etc.) quoted directly or indirectly must be properly cited. Failure to do so constitutes a serious violation of academic ethics.

**Class I: Breuer and Freud on the Pre-Psychoanalytic Treatment of Hysteria**

Readings


**Class II: Dreams, Free-Association and the Advent of Psychoanalysis**

Readings

Freud, S. (1900). The Interpretation of Dreams. The Standard Edition of the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud, Volume IV (1900): The Interpretation of Dreams (First Part), ix-627. (Please read The Irma Dream from Chapter 2, chapter 6 a,b,c,d,h, i, and all of Chapter 7)

**Class III: The Libido, Regression and Symptom Formation**

Readings


**Class IV: The Rat Man**

Readings

**Class V: Narcissism, Melancholia and the Unconscious**

Readings


**Class VI: Psychoanalytic Technique**

Readings


**Class VII: Masochism and the Death Instinct**

Readings


**Class VIII: The Id, Ego and Superego**

Readings