

PT 162 History of Drive Theory in Freud
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Tue. 7:20-9:10
30 Clock Hours

Course Description

Freud's later papers are studied: the dual drive theory and the repetition compulsion; the division of the psyche into ego, id and superego; the sources of anxiety; the effects of innate destructiveness on the prospects for civilization; interminable analysis; and Freud's final summing-up of the state of analysis in 1939. The continuing influence of these papers on contemporary thought is examined in relation to the current treatment methods and the appreciation of the role of destructive aggression.

Objectives

Students will be able to:

- explain the history and development of drive theory in Freud and the significance of his final dual drive theory; and
- conceptualize the significance of the death drive and aggression for the understanding and treatment of narcissistic disorders.

Method of Evaluation

Class participation, weekly logs, and a paper due during the exam weeks.

Texts

Freud, S. (1923), *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, Volumes 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 23.

Syllabus

Class 1

Edgumbe, R. (1970), The development of Freud's instinct theory, 1894-1939. *Basic Psychoanalytic Concepts on the Theory of Instincts*. H. Nagera, ed. New York: Basic Books. pp. 23-49.

Freud, S. (1909), Notes upon a case of obsessional neurosis (The Rat Man): Part I. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 10:158-220.

Class 2

Freud, S. (1909), Notes upon a case of obsessional neurosis (The Rat Man): Part I. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 10:221-249.

Class 3

Freud, S. (1910), Contributions to a discussion on suicide. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 11: 231-232.

Freud, S. (1915), Mourning and melancholia. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 14: 239-258.

Class 4

Freud, S. (1920), Beyond the pleasure principle. Parts I-V. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 18:7-43.

Class 5

Freud, S. (1920), Beyond the pleasure principle. Parts VI-VII. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 18:44-64.

Class 6

Freud, S. (1923), The ego and the id: Parts I-III. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 19:12-39.

Class 7

Freud, S. (1923), The ego and the id: Parts IV-V. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 19:40-59.

Freud, S. (1938), An outline of psycho-analysis: Part III (Chapters VIII and IX), the theoretical yield. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 23:195-207.

Class 8

Freud, S. (1924), The economic problem of masochism, Part XI (Addenda A, B, and C). *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 19:157-170.

Freud, S. (1925-26), Inhibition, symptoms, and anxiety. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 20: 157-172.

Class 9

Spotnitz, H. (1985), Discovering new truths: how to channel destructivity. *Modern Psychoanalysis*, 10: 5-12.

Sternbach, O. (1975), Aggression, the death drive and the problem of sadomasochism: a reinterpretation of Freud's second drive theory. *International Journal of Psychoanalysis*, 56:321-333.

Class 10

Freud, S. (1940), An outline of psycho-analysis: Part I (Chapters I-V). *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 23:144-171.

Class 11

Freud, S. (1940), An outline of psycho-analysis: Part II (Chapters VI-VII). *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 23:172-194.

Class 12

Freud, S. (1937), Analysis terminable and interminable. *Standard Edition*. London: Hogarth Press, 23: 216-253.