Sexuality and Gender
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This course aims to introduce the contributions of psychoanalysis to understanding the important concepts of sexuality and gender. Our discussions will be grounded in Freud’s radical concept of sexuality, as elaborated by Laplanche. With this framework in place, we will then go on to introduce more recent theoretical developments and research on major concepts including the historical context of theorizing about human sexuality, sexual development, gender identity, masculinity, femininity, homosexuality, and misogyny. We hope that candidates will challenge their own thinking about these topics by reading both classic and contemporary papers. We will encourage discussion by candidates of clinical applications of the theories and research presented.

Week 1: Theoretical Foundations:


(You are encouraged to read the entire Essay.)

Week 2: Theoretical Foundations (continued):

Week 3: Theoretical Foundations (continued):


Weeks 4: Historical context: Freud’s relation to the feminine:


(You may also wish to read Freud, 1931, Female Sexuality, available on PEP)

Week 5: Development of Sexuality:


Week 6: Gender


Week 7: Masculinity:


(You may also wish to read Freud, 1909, Analysis of a phobia in a five-year-old boy, on PEP)


Week 8: Femininity:


Week 9: Gay sexuality and homophobia:


**Week 10: Lesbian sexuality and misogyny:**


**Further reading (optional):**

Selective bibliography, APSAA Committee on Gender and Sexuality -

http://www.apsa.org/sites/default/files/BibliographyHomosexualityandGender.pdf