Course Title
FREUD AND BEYOND: KEY CONCEPTS OF PSYCHOANALYTIC THOUGHT

Credits
2

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Semester
Fall

Short Description
The language of psychoanalysis and its fundamental concepts are deeply ingrained within Western culture and yet psychoanalytic theory and practice remain enigmatic and, for the most part, poorly understood. This course traces the evolution of psychoanalytic thinking, beginning with Freud’s pioneering work, through major revisions and developments in the field from Object Relations theories, Self Psychology to contemporary Relational Psychoanalysis. Drawing on seminal theoretical papers and case studies, we will examine various key psychoanalytic concepts such as the unconscious, transference and countertransference, defense mechanisms, projective identification, and more, as they evolved over time in light of the historical and cultural context.

Final grade components
Midterm: Short paper (1-2 pages) – 20%
Final requirement: Final paper (5-6 pages) - 70%.
Participation and Attendance: 10%

Attendance
Attendance is mandatory. Students are permitted a maximum of three absences without penalty. Any additional absences will affect the final grade and may result in failure of the course.

Academic Conduct
Plagiarism is taken extremely seriously. Any instance of academic misconduct which includes: submitting someone else’s work as your own; failure to accurately cite sources; taking words from another source without using quotation marks; submission of work for which you have previously received credit; working in a group for individual assignments; using unauthorized materials in an exam and sharing your work with other students, will result in failure of the assignment and will likely lead to further disciplinary measures.

Additional requirements
KEEP PHONES IN BAGS + NO EATING WHILE IN CLASS.