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. Logs can be emailed to me at markbuenzle@gmail.com.

Assigned Readings
Class 1

Class 2

Class 3

Class 4
Class 5

Class 6

Class 7

Class 8

Class 9

Class 10

Class 11
Class 12

Additional Readings