

**Syllabus**  
**PT 162 History of Drive Theory in Freud**  
**W. Hurst                      Spring 2019**

**Thu. 3:30-5:30**  
**CMPS: 30 Clock Hours**  
**NYGSP: 2 Credits**

**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. (various). J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vols. 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 23). London, England: Hogarth Press.

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**Assigned Readings**

**Class 1**

Edgumbe, R. (1970). The development of Freud's instinct theory, 1894-1939. In H. Nagera (Ed.), *Basic psychoanalytic concepts on the theory of instincts* (pp. 23-49). New York, NY: Basic Books.

Freud, S. (1955). Notes upon a case of obsessional neurosis (The Rat Man) (Part I). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 10, pp. 158-220). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1909)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.010.0000a>

## **Class 2**

Freud, S. (1955). Notes upon a case of obsessional neurosis (The Rat Man) (Part II). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 10, pp. 221-249). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1909)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.010.0000a>

## **Class 3**

Freud, S. (1957). Contributions to a discussion on suicide. In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 11, pp. 231-232). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1910)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.011.0000a>

Freud, S. (1957). Mourning and melancholia. In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 14, pp. 239-258). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1915)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.014.0000a>

## **Class 4**

Freud, S. (1955). Beyond the pleasure principle (Parts I-V). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 18, pp. 7-43). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1920)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.018.0000a>

## **Class 5**

Freud, S. (1955). Beyond the pleasure principle (Parts VI-VII). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 18, pp. 44-64). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1920)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.018.0000a>

## **Class 6**

Freud, S. (1961). The ego and the id (Parts I-III). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 19, pp. 12-39). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1923)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.019.0000a>

## **Class 7**

Freud, S. (1961). The ego and the id (Parts IV-V). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 19, pp. 40-59). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1923)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.019.0000a>

Freud, S. (1964). An outline of psycho-analysis (Part III). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 23, pp. 195-207). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1938)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.023.0000a>

### **Class 8**

Freud, S. (1961). The economic problem of masochism (Part XI, Addenda A, B, and C). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 19, pp. 157-170). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1924)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.019.0000a>

Freud, S. (1959). Inhibition, symptoms, and anxiety. In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 20, pp. 157-172). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1925-26)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.020.0000a>

### **Class 9**

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

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=mpsa.010.0005a>

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.

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=ijp.056.0321a>

### **Class 10**

Freud, S. (1964). An outline of psycho-analysis (Part I). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 23, pp. 144-171). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1940)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.023.0000a>

### **Class 11**

Freud, S. (1964). An outline of psycho-analysis (Part II). In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 23, pp. 172-194). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1940)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.023.0000a>

### **Class 12**

Freud, S. (1964). Analysis terminable and interminable. In J. Strachey (Ed. and Trans.), *The standard edition of the complete psychological works of Sigmund Freud* (Vol. 23, pp. 216-253). London, England: Hogarth Press. (Original work published 1937)

<http://www.pep-web.org/document.php?id=se.023.0000a>