

Syllabus
PT 77 Philosophy, Psychiatry, and Psychoanalysis
W. Hurst Fall 2018

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

Course Description:

“Lived Time and Lived Space: Philosophy, Psychiatry, and Psychoanalysis—Some important intersections in the emergence of psychoanalysis after Freud” is an exploration of the contributions of Bleuler, Minkowski, Binswanger, Boss, Heidegger, Merleau-Ponty, Husserl, Bergson, Benedetti, Jaspers, and Lacan. The course will work as a seminar, with a focus on discussions of the experience of psychoanalysis, as illuminated by some often overlooked sources and influences. The problem of time and space, according to Minkowski, is the central problem of psychology, of philosophy, and indeed of contemporary culture. The hypothesis is that lived time and lived space, “uncovered” through phenomenological description, point to the core dimension of psychoanalytic experience.

Objectives:

The student who satisfies the requirements of this course will be able to:

- Explain the concepts of “lived time” and “lived space” in relation to their philosophical and psychoanalytic origins;
- Discuss some of the principal features of the history of psychiatry in the twentieth century and the relation of this history to the emergence of psychoanalysis;
- Identify some important areas of intersection among the three disciplines, and draw some conclusions for an enhanced understanding of psychoanalytic experience; and
- Demonstrate a developed capacity for research, through the study and presentation of the ideas of one of the authors read in the course, and through leading a “seminar” discussion.

Teaching Method: The course will be structured as a seminar, with each member taking a turn leading the discussion. The aim of these discussions will be to explore new ideas and enhance our understanding of the psychoanalytic experience.

Method of Evaluation: The following three areas will be of principal importance in evaluating student work in this course: (1) Participatory engagement in the work of the course evidenced in the first instance by being well prepared for each class session; (2) A primary interest in advancing the discussion of the group, evident by consistent functioning as a colleague looking for a deeper understanding of psychoanalysis; (3) A written paper based on a subject of interest to the student which deserved further research and subsequent elaboration, some of which might be indicated in the paper.

Students will need to purchase the book *Of philosophers and madmen: A disclosure of Martin Heidegger, Medard Boss, and Sigmund Freud* (Askay, R., & Farquhar, J.) for Classes 9-12, as the entire book is being read. A copy will also be on library reserve.

Assigned Readings

Class 1

Caruth, C. (2014). Mad witnesses: A conversation with Françoise Davoine and Jean-Max Gaudillière. In *Listening to trauma: Conversations with leaders in the theory and treatment of catastrophic experience* (pp. 81-109). Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Class 2

Benedetti, G. (1987). Introduction. In *Psychotherapy of schizophrenia* (pp. 1-21). New York, NY: New York University Press.

de Waelhens, A. (1978). Some classical psychiatric conceptions of schizophrenia. In *Schizophrenia: A philosophical reflection on Lacan's structuralist interpretation* (pp. 27-48). (W. Ver Eecke, Trans.). Pittsburgh, PA: Duquesne University Press.

Class 3

Koehler, B. (2017, April 7). *The contributions of Gaetano Benedetti to the psychotherapy of persons experiencing distressing psychotic states, in the light of contemporary affective and social neuroscience* [Video file]. Retrieved from <https://www.cmps.edu/The-Contributions-of-Gaetano-Benedetti-to-the-Psychoanalytic-Therapy-of-Persons-Experiencing-Distressing-Psychotic-States-in-the-Light-of-Contemporary-Affective-and-Social-Neuroscience>

Class 4

Minkowski, E. (1970). Translator's introduction; Author's introduction; and Becoming and the essential elements of time-quality. In *Lived time: Phenomenological and psychopathological studies* (pp. xv-xxxvi; 3-43). (N. Metzler, Trans.). Evanston, IL: Northwestern University Press. (Originally published in French in 1933)

Class 5

Minkowski, E. (1970). Schizophrenia. In *Lived time: Phenomenological and psychopathological studies* (pp. 272-289). (N. Metzler, Trans.). Evanston, IL: Northwestern University Press. (Originally published in French in 1933)

Minkowski, E. (2004). Findings in a case of schizophrenic depression. (B. Bliss, Trans.). In R. May, E. Angel, & H. F. Ellenberger (Eds.), *Existence: A new dimension in psychiatry and psychology* (pp. 127-138). New York, NY: Basic Books.

Class 6

Merleau-Ponty, M. (2012). Preface; Lived space. In *The phenomenology of perception* (pp. lxx-lxxxv, 293-311). (D. A. Landes, Trans.). New York, NY: Routledge. (Originally published in French in 1945)

Class 7

Merleau-Ponty, M. (2012). Temporality. In *The phenomenology of perception* (pp. 432-457). (D. A. Landes, Trans.). New York, NY: Routledge. (Originally published in French in 1945)

Class 8

Heidegger, M. (1996). *Being and time: A translation of Sein und zeit* (pp. 229-246). (J. Stambaugh, Trans.). New York, NY: SUNY Press. (Originally published in German in 1927)

Heidegger, M. (2001). In M. Boss (Ed.), *Zollikon seminars: Protocols, conversations, letters* (pp. 42-56). (F. Mayr & R. Askay, Trans.). Evanston, IL: Northwestern University Press.

Class 9

Askay, R., & Farquhar, J. (2011). *Of philosophers and madmen: A disclosure of Martin Heidegger, Medard Boss, and Sigmund Freud* (pp. ix-21). Amsterdam, The Netherlands: Editions Rodopi.

Binswanger, L. (2004). The case of Ellen West. (W. M. Mendel & J. Lyons, Trans.). In R. May, E. Angel, & H. F. Ellenberger (Eds.), *Existence: A new dimension in psychiatry and psychology* (pp. 237-267). New York, NY: Basic Books.

Class 10

Askay, R., & Farquhar, J. (2011). *Of philosophers and madmen: A disclosure of Martin Heidegger, Medard Boss, and Sigmund Freud* (pp. 22-44). Amsterdam, The Netherlands: Editions Rodopi.

Binswanger, L. (2004). The case of Ellen West. (W. M. Mendel & J. Lyons, Trans.). In R. May, E. Angel, & H. F. Ellenberger (Eds.), *Existence: A new dimension in psychiatry and psychology* (pp. 267-304). New York, NY: Basic Books.

Class 11

Askay, R., & Farquhar, J. (2011). *Of philosophers and madmen: A disclosure of Martin Heidegger, Medard Boss, and Sigmund Freud* (pp. 45-70). Amsterdam, The Netherlands: Editions Rodopi.

Binswanger, L. (2004). The case of Ellen West. (W. M. Mendel & J. Lyons, Trans.). In R. May, E. Angel, & H. F. Ellenberger (Eds.), *Existence: A new dimension in psychiatry and psychology* (pp. 305-364). New York, NY: Basic Books.

Class 12

Askay, R., & Farquhar, J. (2011). Toward an integration of psychoanalysis and phenomenological ontology. In *Of philosophers and madmen: A disclosure of Martin Heidegger, Medard Boss, and Sigmund Freud* (pp. 131-142). Amsterdam, The Netherlands: Editions Rodopi.

Boss, M. (2011). In search of a humanistic grounding for psychoanalysis. In *Of philosophers and madmen: A disclosure of Martin Heidegger, Medard Boss, and Sigmund Freud* (pp. 125-130). Amsterdam, The Netherlands: Editions Rodopi.

Additional Suggested Readings

Bergson, H. (2015). *Time and free will: An essay on the immediate data of consciousness*. (F. L. Pogson, Trans.). Mansfield Center, CT: Martino Publishing. (Originally published in French in 1889)

Binswanger, L. (1999). *Le problème de l'espace en psychopathologie*. (C. Gros-Azorin, Trans.). Toulouse, France: Presses Universitaires du Mirail. (Originally published in German in 1933)

Bleuler, E. (1934). *Textbook of psychiatry*. Authorized English Edition by A.A. Brill. (G. Kirby, Trans.). New York, NY: The Macmillan Company. (Originally published in German in 1916)

Gordon, H. (Ed.) (1999). *Dictionary of existentialism*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press. See especially: appearance, emotions, intention, intuition, mind, space.

- Heidegger, M. (2008). *Basic writings 1927-1964*. D. F. Krell (Ed.). New York, NY: Harper Books. In addition to the Heidegger selections, editor's general introduction is well worth a careful read.
- Hurst, W. (1982). Merleau-Ponty's concept of the self. *International Philosophical Quarterly*, XXII, 227-240.
- Hurst, W. (1994). Merleau-Ponty's ontological quest. *International Philosophical Quarterly*, XXXIV, 335-347.
- Jaspers, K. (1972). *General psychopathology*. (J. Koenig & M. W. Hamilton, Trans.). Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press. (Originally published in German in 1913)
- Jaspers, K. (1968). *Reason and existenz*. (W. Earle, Trans.). New York, NY: The Noonday Press. (Originally published in German in 1935)
- Lacan, J. (1975). *De la psychose paranoïaque dans ses rapports avec la personnalité*. Paris, France: Editions du Seuil. (Doctoral thesis in medicine, published in 1932)
- Minkowski, E. (1997). *Au-delà du rationalisme morbide*. Paris, France: Éditions l'Harmattan.
- Minkowski, E. (2002). *La schizophrénie*. Paris, France: Éditions Payot.
- Richardson, W. (2003). *Heidegger: Through phenomenology to thought* (4th ed.). New York, NY: Fordham University Press.
- Sheehan, T. (2015). *Making sense of Heidegger: A paradigm shift*. New York, NY: Rowan & Littlefield.