

ACP PROGRAM OF CLINICAL AND THEORETICAL STUDIES

Introductory Course in Psychoanalysis

In this two semester, introductory program, students will be introduced to concepts that lie at the heart of psychoanalysis. The course is both theoretical and practical, with an emphasis on the famous case studies that Freud used to introduce his discovery of the unconscious. It also explores the conceptual frameworks that different schools of psychoanalysis have used to construct models of intervention. Psychoanalysis is both a body of theory and a clinical praxis. It also has a powerful research function. All these will be touched upon in the course over the duration of the year. In one and a half hour, weekly seminars, the teaching will cover the basic ideas of psychoanalytic practice, and the way they are implemented in the clinic.

As the source from which all psychotherapies derive, psychoanalysis aims most potently to produce truthful knowledge, and this will be a theme of the course, which is suitable for both those who intend to practice clinically, and others with a more general interest. Over the many years the course has been running, this seminar format has proved an accessible way to introduce psychoanalysis.

The course consists of 24 seminars over two semesters.

Day: Thursdays **Time:** 7:30pm – 9:00pm

Semester 1: February 27th to May 28th

Semester 2: August 6th to October 8th

Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville

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Four Year Program of Clinical and Theoretical Studies

Participants of the Program are engaged in a systematic study of the key concepts of Freudian and Lacanian psychoanalysis, across four years. Emphasis is given to clinical practice and studying the ethics particular to psychoanalytic practice through the study of contemporary psychoanalytic cases. The program provides the theoretical foundation for those wishing to undertake training in psychoanalysis with the ACP. In 2020 the ACP will commence a NEW INTAKE of the course. In addition, we will begin a year long examination of the Ethics of Psychoanalysis focussing our attention on the unique contribution Freud and Lacan make to the field of ethics.

Year One: The program introduces participants to the foundational concepts of the “unconscious” and the “drive”, first established by Freud and then elaborated by Lacan. These concepts are considered in their application to clinical practice.

Year Two: Participants will further study the fundamental concepts of “repetition” and “transference”. Then undertake a rigorous study of psychopathology and clinical structures established by Freud and elaborated by Lacan.

Year Three: Participants will continue to study theories of psychopathology and the fundamental ethical questions linked to the clinical practice of psychoanalysis. This includes a study of Freud and Lacan’s contribution to the field of ethics and Lacan’s concept of the analyst’s desire.

Year Four: The program of studies concentrates on psychoanalysis with children, adolescents and special clinical problems such as; addictions, psychosomatic phenomena, contemporary issues of sexual identity, mental retardation, autism, atypical psychoses and eating disorders.

Any member or previous participant who wishes to join us to refresh their knowledge base is welcomed and encouraged to contact Dr Serena Smith.

Day: Saturdays **Time:** 8:45am – 12:30pm

Semester 1: Commences February 29th – June 27th

Semester 2: Commences August 1st – November 28th

Study Day: November 28th

Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville

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INSTITUTE FOR TRAINING

The Australian Centre for Psychoanalysis is dedicated to the practice, study and teaching of psychoanalysis, in the field established by Sigmund Freud and extended by Jacques Lacan. The Institute for Training governs the programs of clinical and theoretical study offered by the ACP, as well as providing oversight to the training of psychoanalysts through the functions of its Training Committee.

TRAINING AS A PSYCHOANALYST WITH THE ACP

Training in psychoanalysis comprises; personal analysis, supervision of clinical cases, and a rigorous course of study in the theory and clinical practice of psychoanalysis.

Members of the ACP engaged in clinical practice and studies may apply for candidature to the psychoanalytic training program by becoming a Registrar of the ACP.

If you are interested in training with the ACP, or for more information regarding training with the ACP please contact the Convener of the Training Committee.

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ACP CLINIC

The aim of the clinic is to provide affordable psychoanalytic treatment to adults and children. The treatment will be conducted by Registrars in Psychoanalysis.

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PUBLICATIONS

Analysis is the journal of the Australian Centre for Psychoanalysis. *Analysis* has been publishing articles that make a significant contribution to psychoanalysis both locally and internationally since 1989. Authors wishing to discuss submission of their work and for submission guidelines to *Analysis* please contact the editor further details.

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The Australian Centre for Psychoanalysis is dedicated to the transmission of psychoanalysis. This takes the forms of the teaching of psychoanalysis, the training of analysts and research in the psychoanalytic field within the Lacanian orientation.

Anyone with an interest in the study of psychoanalysis is welcome to join the activities of the Centre. Please contact the Convenor before attending a meeting to express your interest in participating. For updates on activities and the latest information please check the ACP website at www.psychanalysis.org.au

THEME: *The choice of sex and the unconscious*

"It is from the Imaginary in so far as the Imaginary is the false second, with respect to the Real, in so far as the male in the speaking being is not the female, and that he has no other angle from which to posit himself. Only these are not angles with which we can be satisfied. It has got to the point that one can say that the unconscious is defined by this and by nothing else but this: that it knows more than this truth and that the man is not the woman." (Seminar XXI, Les non-dupes errent, 15th January 1974)

The choice of sex and the unconscious will be our theme for two years and this seems justified given the far-reaching relevance of such a theme in today's world of endless choices and the associated challenges to the subject's gender identification and sexual orientation. Lacan corrects Freud by telling us that there is no destiny, only a choice of how the subject finds an orientation in relation to the signifier of desire, the phallus. By definition sexuation implies this choice, but this choice is not an easy one. Freud knew that there was a beyond of anatomical conformity and that the drive, always masculine, was implicated. However, the concept of jouissance, the real of the unconscious, means that the choice is made in relation to how the subject enjoys. It has never been clearer than today that sexuation, (and the word implies choosing a sex), is always difficult for the subject and imaginary identifications are not enough. What is the sexed subject today if his or her sexuation is not determined by the identification of gender or the anatomical sex? And what of the psychotic subject? How does the psychotic find a solution to the problem of choice of sex if jouissance cannot be orientated by the phallus? What can he or she do when confronted by the need to make a choice? What is the future of the sexed subject, neurotic or psychotic?

This year, and next year, the work of the ACP, its various seminars and workshops, will be orientated towards researching questions like these and the many others that arise from the need to consider the real unconscious in the choice of sex.

EVENTS

ORIENTATION SESSION

The President of the ACP will launch the ACP's work for the year. Seminar Convenors and the Co-ordinators of the Introductory Course and Four Year Program of Studies present their planned activities for 2020. The morning provides an orientation to the theme for the year with the opportunity to meet informally over morning tea.

The session is open to all those interested in attending the activities of the ACP, members and students.

Date: Saturday February 22nd **Time:** 10:00am – 11:30am
Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville
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INTERNATIONAL LACAN SEMINARS 2020

Organised by the ACP and the Forum of Melbourne (IF-SPFLF). This Seminar is open to all colleagues interested in psychoanalysis. Further details for both International Seminars to be announced.

Guest Speaker: Dr Bernard Nominee
Dates: Friday October 23th – Sunday 25th
Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville
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Guest Speaker: Dr Gabriel Lombardi and Dr Julieta Di Batista
Dates: Friday November 20th – Sunday 22nd
Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville
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ACP XXI SYMPOSIUM and FORUM OF MELBOURNE COLLOQUIUM

Date: August 29th **Time:** 10:00am – 1:00pm
Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville
Contact: Dr Carmelo Scuderi (President) **T:** 0438 281 789
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SYDNEY LACAN WORKSHOP

Date: November 7th **Time:** 9:00am – 1:00pm
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ACTIVITIES

CLINICAL SEMINAR

The clinical seminar program will be guided by the ethics of clinical practice and how this unfolds for the analyst and analysand using the presentation of analytic cases by members of the ACP.

Please contact the Convenor before the first meeting to express your interest.

Day: Saturdays **Time:** 12:45pm – 2:15pm
Semester One: March 14th 28th April 18th May 9th 23th June 13th 27th
Semester Two: August 8th 22nd September 5th 19th October 10th
Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville
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SEMINAR ON THE FORMATION OF THE ANALYST

This Seminar will continue to work in 2020 according to the new modality it has adopted: in cartels and/or by individual contributions. The research projects for the year generally concern the analytic discourse and the formation of the analyst, but other questions may emerge from the participants' work in progress

For further information, please contact the Convenor, Dr Leonardo Rodriguez.

Day: Saturday **Time:** 12:45pm – 2:15pm
Semester 1: June 20th
Semester 2: November 14th
Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville
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FORUM OF MELBOURNE

The Forum of Melbourne will work this year on contributing to the discussion of the transmission of psychoanalysis and other fundamental questions, which are the object of psychoanalytic research in Australia and other countries.

Day: Saturday **Time:** 2:30pm – 4:00pm
Semester 1: March 14th May 16th
Semester 2: August 22nd September 19th October 17th
Venue: Treacy Conference Centre, Parkville
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STUDY GROUP ON PSYCHOANALYSIS WITH CHILDREN

The study group on Psychoanalysis with Children works with questions relating to the clinical and conceptual field of psychoanalysis with children and adolescents.

The group continues to meet in the first half of the year. All interested members and students of the ACP are invited to participate.

Please contact the Convenor before the first meeting to express your interest.

Day: Tuesdays **Time:** 8:00pm–9:30pm
Semester 1: April 21st 28th, May 5th 12th 19th & 26th June 2nd 9th 16th & 23rd
Venue: To be announced
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TUESDAY SEMINAR

The Seminar will study desire in psychoanalysis and its interpretation, with particular reference to Lacan's Seminar VI, *Desire and its interpretation*. **All interested colleagues are welcome. Those who have not participated in the Seminar before, please contact the Convenor before the first meeting.**

Day: Tuesdays **Time:** 8:00pm – 9:30pm
Semester 2: August 18th & 25th September 1st 8th 15th 22nd & 29th, October 6th 13th & 20th
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