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## SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY OF GENDER

This course is organized according to theoretical traditions in social psychology that focus on the development and dimensions of the self. A major objective is to explore some of the original work in each tradition, which come from both psychology and sociology. We then read more current work on gender which fits into but revises and transforms those traditions. Course credits are as follows: one-fourth for class participation, one-fourth for leading a class section, and one-half for a paper of approximately fifteen pages due the last day of class.

### I. GENERAL OVERVIEW FOR EXAMINING GENDER

(Week 2) Tavis, Carol. The Mismeasure of Woman. New York: Simon and Schuster. 1992. (all except chapter 4)

### II. DEVELOPMENT OF THE SELF

#### A. Psychoanalytic Theory

(Week 3) Sigmund Freud: (all readings below)

"An Example of Psycho-analytic Work." in An Outline of Psychoanalysis. New York: W W Norton. 1949

"Some Psychological Consequences of the Anatomical Distinction between the Sexes." Collected Papers, Volume 5. New York: Basic Books. 1959.

"Female Sexuality." Collected Papers, Volume 5. New York: Basic Books. 1959.

"Femininity." The Complete Introductory Lectures on Psychoanalysis. New York: W W Norton. 1966

(Week 4) Talcott Parsons. "The Superego and the Theory of Social Systems" and "Social Structure and the Development of Personality" in Social Structure and Personality. New York: The Free Press. 1970.

(Week 4) Nancy Chodorow. "Family Structure and Feminine Personality." in M. Rosaldo and L. Lamphere, eds., Woman, Culture, and Society. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1974.

#### B. Moral Development

(Week 5) Lawrence Kohlberg, "Continuities and Discontinuities in Child and Adult Moral Development." Human Development 12:93-120. 1969.

(Week 5) Carol Gilligan, chapters 1 and 2, In a Different Voice. Cambridge: Harvard

University Press. 1982.

### **C. Self-in-Relation Theory:** all readings below (Week 6)

Janet Surrey. "The Self-in-Relation: A Theory of Women's Development." pp. 51-66 in Judith Jordan et. al., eds., Women's Growth in Connection: Writings from the Stone Center. New York: Guilford Press. 1991.

Judith Jordan. "Empathy and Self-Boundaries" and "The Meaning of Mutuality." pp. 67-96 in Women's Growth.

Alexandra Kaplan, Nancy Gleason, and Rona Klein, "Women's Self Development in Late Adolescence." pp. 122-140 in Women's Growth.

Irene Stiver. "The Meanings of 'Dependency' in Female-Male Relationships". pp. 143-161 in Women's Growth.

Jean Baker Miller. "The Construction of Anger in Women and Men." pp. 181-196 in Women's Growth.

### **D. Symbolic Interactionism**

(Week 7) George Herbert Mead, "Self." in Mind, Self, and Society. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. 1934.

(Week 8) Lyn Brown and Carol Gilligan, Meeting at the Crossroads. Cambridge: Harvard University Press. 1992.

## III. DIMENSIONS OF THE CONTEMPORARY SELF

### **A. Historical Roots**

(Week 9) Ann Douglas, The Feminization of American Culture. New York: Avon Books. 1977. (Introduction and chapters 1,2,3, and 7)

### **B. Culture and Personality**

(Week 10) Lyn Chancer. Sado-Masochism. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press. 1992.

(Week 11) R. W. Connell. Masculinities. Berkeley: University of California Press. 1995.

### **C. Ethnomethodology**

(Week 12) Harold Garfinkel, "Passing and the Managed Achievement of Sex Status in an Intersexed Person, Part 1" and "Appendix" pp. 116-185 and 285-288 in Studies in

Ethnomethodology. Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey: Prentice-Hall. 1967.

(Week 12) Kate Bornstein. Gender Outlaw. New York: Vintage Books.

#### **D. Sociology of Emotions**

(Week 13) Arlie Hochschild. The Managed Heart. Berkeley: University of California Press. 1983.