Syllabus

Tracking the lost father: Rediscovering the fath - 3500

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 2nd degree (Master)

Responsible Department: Social Work and Social Welfare

Academic year: 2

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus:

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Teaching Staff:
Course/Module description:
Freud viewed the father as the central figure in mental life. The evolution of object relations theories resulted in an increased interest in the mother-child dyad and in motherhood, thus for many years, the father and his contribution to his child's development was forgotten and neglected in research and theory. The narrow view of the father has affected the way we see and perceive the role of the father in the family and in the clinic.

In this course we will revisit the classic psychoanalytic theory and discuss its misconceptions concerning the father. Together we will rediscover the meaning of the relationship with the father to his daughters and sons. Reading poems, short stories, viewing movies and discussing contemporary research and writings about fathers, we will look at developmental processes of the son, adolescent, mature men becoming a father and being a father to adolescents.

Course/Module aims:
Revisiting the classic psychoanalytic theory concerning fathers
Forming a gender sensitive view of adolescents and their parents
Reevaluating the role of the father

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:
Demonstrating the ability to criticize research and theory
Developing gender sensitivity
Constructing a new theory concerning fathers and sons
Reevaluating the father as a candidate for intervention.

Attendance requirements(%):
100%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: lecture

Course/Module Content:
"Dad without side effects": The father's absent presence
Changes in perceiving the father and his role in psychoanalytic theories
Developments in studying fathers
Manhood, masculinity, fathers and sons
Fathers and daughters  
Fathers and adolescents: recreating the father  
Fathers mothers and sons: A new developmental picture  
Rlational developmental needs of adolescent boys with their fathers  
Becoming a father  
The father in new families  
The father in the room: transference and countertrenceference  
Dependency, separation and suicide

Required Reading:


**Additional Reading Material:**


**Course/Module evaluation:**

End of year written/oral examination 0 %

Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 0 %
Project work 100 %
Assignments 0 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information:
Nothing to add