

## **Culture and Diversity in Psychoanalysis**

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**Location:** Live Webinar

**Meeting Dates: Mondays, 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. (EST):**

- **September 9, 16, 23, 30**
- **October 7, 21, 28**
- **November 4, 11, 18, 25**
- **December 2**

**CE's:** 18

**Cost:** \$450

### **Course Description:**

This class explores the historical and contemporary social issues that have promoted social injustice and cultural oppression of patients by considering the role of racism, sexism, classism, ageism, homophobia, transphobia, and disability on patient's psychological well-being. We will assess the impact of the unconscious processes that may hinder the analytical alliance for patients and analysts alike. An examination of the cultural psychoanalytical theories of Harry Stack Sullivan, Eric Fromm, Karen Horney, and others are reviewed and serves as a foundation for understanding the intrapsychic and environmental influences of oppression for patients.

Modern psychoanalysis considers the theoretical, clinical, and social/cultural contributions that impact patients' lives. Students are exposed to diverse topics to enhance their theoretical and clinical knowledge. Students are encouraged to engage in classes by sharing their thoughts, feelings, learning, and experiences. This class promotes and values respect, diversity, differences, and personal and professional growth.

### **Course Objectives:**

At the conclusion of this course the student will be able to:

- Understand the role of social and cultural oppression from a modern psychoanalytical perspective.
- Understand cultural awareness and sensitivity to various expressions of diversity.
- Identify and apply various cultural psychoanalytical theories in clinical work
- Understand how biases and subjective experiences impact countertransference and transference issues.
- Apply psychoanalytic ethics when working with diverse patients.

### **About the Instructor:**

Dr. Cristiane Irey is a Clinical Psychologist and a Certified Psychoanalyst. Her Master's Degree is in Developmental Psychology. She has been working with patients and teaching for more than 20 years. She has been with Philadelphia School of Psychoanalysis since 2010, and she has also worked at the Philadelphia Consultation Center as a Clinician. She is currently a Faculty Member of PSP and an Adjunct Faculty for Immaculata University. She has her own private practice working with adults and adolescents with a wide range of disorders.