

RELATIONAL PSYCHOANALYSIS SYLLABUS
SPRING 2010
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The class will be held in Angell Hall at the University of Michigan, office # 2131, on the second floor. Angell Hall is located at 435 S. State St.

I will be preparing a course pack of the reading materials. If you would like one, let me know by February 1. You can also secure these readings on your own, if you prefer. If you have any questions or concerns, please get in touch with me. Let's make this a collaborative adventure!

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SCHEDULE OF READINGS

1. Introduction

2. Steven Mitchell *Hope and Dread in Psychoanalysis* Chapters 6, 7, 8

3. Darlene Ehrenberg *The Intimate Edge* Chapters 3, 5, 6, 7

4. Daniel B. Stern *Partners in Thought* 3, 4, 8

5. Owen Renik *Practical Psychoanalysis* Chapters 6-12 (short chapters)

6. Thomas Ogden

"The analytic third: Working with intersubjective Facts" in *Relational Psychoanalysis, The Emergence of a Tradition* ed. L. Aron & S. Mitchell

+ *This Art of Psychoanalysis* pp. 54-76, 87-108

7. Jessica Benjamin *Like Subjects, Love Objects* Introduction & Chapters 1,5

8. Christopher Bollas *The Infinite Question*, Chapters 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9 (short chapters)

9. Class member presentations—Participants will choose and present papers from the relational literature. Each presenter will be responsible for making his/her choice of paper(s) available to other participants.

10. Class Presentations continued

We will fully discuss the project of student presentations. You may work on a particular analyst's work, or a particular topic. Please choose an author we have not worked on previously in class. If you choose a topic, you might deepen a concept we have discussed, or work on a topic we have not considered. You may work singly or in pairs or groups. Choose paper(s) that add something conceptual and/or clinical to what we have done. For those who might be interested in thinking about this in advance, here are some relational authors and topics to consider (among many, many more):

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| Lew Aron | self-disclosure |
| Philip Bromberg | enactment |
| Jodie Messler Davies | dissociation |
| Emmanuel Ghent | the role of the unconscious in relational theory |
| Jay Greenberg | conflict and deficit |
| Adrienne Harris | the status of knowledge in relational theory |
| Irwin Hoffman | or, or, or..... |
| Theodore Jacobs | |
| Karen Maroda | |
| Stuart Pizer | |
| D. Stern and the Boston Change Study Group | |
| Robert Stolorow et. al | |