COURSE DETAIL

THE UNCONSCIOUS MIND
Country
Host Institution
Program(s) University of Melbourne
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Psychology
UCEAP Course Number 133
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title THE UNCONSCIOUS MIND
UCEAP Transcript Title UNCONSCIOUS MIND
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00
Course Description

Ever since Freud, the unconscious mind has been a critical part of our understanding of the human mind and behavior. Despite its power to captivate popular imagination, scientific psychology's treatment of unconsciousness has a history of vicissitudes. This course traces the historical origin and subsequent development of the idea of the unconscious mind in psychological theories and practice. Freud's notion of unconsciousness, as well as lesser known, but critically important theorists' contributions are examined and their contemporary implications are discussed. The modern methods used in the contemporary examination of unconscious processes are introduced, and the current understanding of psychological unconsciousness is discussed from neuroscientific, perceptual, cognitive, developmental, social, and clinical perspectives. The course surveys the uses of the scientific understanding of unconscious processes in a variety of applied contexts and explores implications of the psychological knowledge about the unconscious mind in contemporary culture and society. This includes a critical examination of the evidence for the role of unconscious processes in abnormal human behavior and discussions about implications of the unconscious mind for identity and responsibility.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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