

# Interpersonal Moral Psychology

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In this tutorial we will explore topics relating to the awareness of ourselves as we figure in the minds of other people, and to do so with the aim of understanding their place in human ethical life.

Each week one student will present a short essay of around 1000 words or more which will form the basis for our discussion. All readings are available on Moodle.

## Useful General Reading

- *The Self-Conscious Emotions: Theory and Research*, Tracy, Robins and Tagney (eds.)
- M. Tomasello: *Becoming Human*
- A.O. Lovejoy: *Reflections on Human Nature*, Lectures III-VII
- W.I., Miller: *Humiliation and Other Essays on Honor, Social Discomfort and Violence*

\* Denotes required reading

## Meeting 1: General Themes

- \*Peacocke (2014), *The Mirror of the World*, Ch. 10, 'Interpersonal Self-Consciousness' (Available through Oxford Scholarship Online)
- \*A.J. Julius (2016) 'Mutual Recognition', *Jurisprudence*, 7:2, 193-209

## Part 1. The Self-Conscious Emotions

### Meeting 2: Ordinary Self-Consciousness

- \*O'Brien, L. (2011) 'Ordinary Self-Consciousness', In Liu and Perry (eds) *Consciousness and the Self: New Essays*. CUP.
- Morgan and O'Brien (2016) , 'Getting Out of Your Head: Addiction and the Motive of Self-Escape', *Mind and Language* 31 (3), 314-334

### Meeting 3: Sartre on 'The Look'

- \*J.P. Sartre, *Being and Nothingness, Part III, Chapter 1, Section IV, 'The Look'*.
- Recommended: J.P.Sartre, 'In Camera' (also known as 'No Exit'), (Youtube: <https://youtu.be/0v96qw83tw4>)

### Helpful further reading :

- Gardner (2009) *Sartre's Being and Nothingness: A Reader's Guide*
- Zahavi, D. 'Shame and the Exposed Self', in J.Webber (ed.) *Reading Sartre: On Phenomenology and Existentialism*

#### *Meeting 4: Shame Evaluation and Ethics*

- \*Bernard Williams, *Shame and Necessity*, Chapter 4
- Gabriel Taylor, *Pride, Shame and Guilt*, Chapter 3

#### *Additional Reading:*

- Christopher C. Raymond 'Shame and Virtue in Aristotle', *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy*, 53
- Deigh, J. 'Shame and Self-Esteem: A Critique' *Ethics*, 93 (1983), 225-45
- Maibom, H. 'The Descent of Shame' *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 80 (2010), 566-94
- Nathaniel Hawthorne, *The Scarlet Letter*

#### *Meeting 5: The Genesis of Shame*

- \*Genesis: 1-3
- \*Velleman, J.D. 'The Genesis of Shame' *Philosophy and Public Affairs*, 30. I (2001) 27-54

#### *Meeting 6: Pride and Amour Propre*

- \*Rousseau, *Second Discourse*, in
- G. Taylor, *Pride, Shame and Guilt* Ch. 2

#### *Additional Reading*

- G. Taylor. *Deadly Vices*, Ch. 5. 'Pride and Anger'
- Hume, D. *A Treatise of Human Nature*, Book 2: Part 1: Of Pride and Humility
- M.G.F Martin, 'In Praise of Self: Hume's Love of Fame'
- Lovejoy, A.O. Lectures III-VII, Esp. 'The Indictment of Pride'
- Rousseau, *Discourse on Inequality*
- Kolodny, N. 'The Explanation of Amour Propre'
- Neuhauser, *Rousseau's Theodicy of Self-Love*, esp. Parts I and II, 'Human Nature and its Passions', and Diagnosis'

#### *Meeting 7: Humiliation*

- \*Avishai Margalit, 'The Decent Society, Part I: 'Humiliation', Part III 'The Paradox of Humiliation'

#### *Additional Reading:*

- Ralph Ellison, *Invisible Man*, Prologue
- Honneth, A. 'Invisibility: On The Epistemology of Recognition' *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society, Supplementary Volumes*, Vol 75, (2001) p. 111-139
- Miller, W. (1995) *Humiliation*, Ch. 5.
- Ulrike Carlsson 'Tragedy and Resentment', *Mind* Volume 127, Issue 508, 1 October 2018, Pages 1169–1191,
- Axel Honneth 'Invisibility: On The Epistemology of Recognition' *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society, Supplementary Volumes*, Vol 75, (2001) p. 111-139
- Dostoyevsky, *Notes from the Underground*
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### Part 2: Concrete Relationships

#### *Meeting 8: Friendship*

- \*Aristotle: *Eudemian Ethics*, Book VII and *Nicomachean Ethics*, Book VIII & IX

*Additional Reading:*

- Cooper, J. "Aristotle on Friendship" in Amelie O. Rorty, ed. *Essays on Aristotle's Ethics*, 301-40
- Cooper, J. "Friendship and the Good in Aristotle" *The Philosophical Review*, 1977, Emerson 'On Friendship' In *Essays and Lectures*, ed. Joel Porter, pp. 341–54. New York: Literary Classics of the United States.
- Kant: *Metaphysics of Morals*: Doctrine of Virtue, Part II 'Duties of Virtue to Others'
- Kant: *Lectures on Ethics* (Infield, trans.) p. 200-209
- Kosman, A. (2014) 'Aristotle on the Desirability of Friends' in *Virtues of Thought*
- Cicero *De Amicitia*, ed. and trans. W. D. Falconer. Cambridge, ma: Harvard University Press.
- Montaigne 'On Friendship' In *The Complete Essays of Montaigne*, trans. Donald M. Frame, pp. 135–44. Stanford, ca: Stanford University Press.
- Nehamas, *On Friendship*
- Nehamas, 'The Good of Friendship', *Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society*

*Meeting 9: Love*

- \*Kolodny (2003) 'Love as Valuing a Relationship'

*Additional Reading*

- May, Simon (2011). *Love: A History*
- Simone de Beauvoir, 'The Woman in Love', from *The Second Sex*
- Sartre, 'Concrete Relations with Others', from *Being and Nothingness*
- Velleman (1999) 'Love as a Moral Emotion'

*Meeting 10: Grief*

- \*Marusic (2018) 'Do Reasons Expire?'

*Additional Reading*

- Freud, 'Mourning and Melancholia'
- Freud, 'On Transience'
- Wilkinson, 'Is 'normal grief' a mental disorder?'
- Higgins 'Love and Death'