

# SOCIETY

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Psychoanalysis is often thought of as an individual affair, independent of our relations to others. 'Continental Psychoanalysis: Society' corrects this vulgar assumption and argues that psychoanalysis is first and foremost an approach to the contradiction of *human nature* that produces social links within and between people: feudalism, capitalism, hysteria, and communism. Although we'll focus on Freud's 'meta-psychological' writings and Jacques Lacan's 'theory of four discourses' (*Seminar XVII*), we'll also read secondary literature on Freud and Lacan, including Clemens, Grigg, et. al.'s *Jacques Lacan and the Other Side of Psychoanalysis*, Aaron Schuster's *The Trouble with Pleasure*, and Samo Tomšič's *The Capitalist Unconscious: Marx and Lacan*.

Students will receive a Certificate of Completion upon successful attendance of a course or a Certificate of Completion and Letter of Evaluation if they successfully attend and complete the final assignment. Those who complete three courses (attendance and writing) in the Continental Psychoanalysis track over two calendar years are eligible for a BICAR Diploma in Continental Psychoanalysis.

**14 May - 8 June, 2022**

Wednesdays and Saturdays

6.30PM to 8.30PM IST (Online - Live)

Worldwide Registration Open

**Registration and Fees:**

INR 7,500 (Participation)

INR 10,000 (Participation + Writing)

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