

WISR SEMINARS & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ JUNE (& July), 2012

I) *INTERDISCIPLINARY SEMINARS*

COMPLEMENTARY ECONOMICS

Saturday, June 30, 10am – 2pm

Art Warmoth, PhD, WISR Faculty, Facilitator. This seminar will outline the basic structural flaws in the design of conventional currencies, which are amplified by free market fundamentalism. Complementary economics is an approach that can compensate for these design flaws and includes several specific economic tools: mutual credit clearing, Time Banking, public banking, micro-finance, and worker-owned cooperatives. It draws on the work of Bernard Lietaer, Thomas H. Greco, Jr., Edgar Cahn, Ellen Hodgson Brown, Muhammad Yunus, and the Mondragon (Spain) Cooperatives. *Please bring a lunch.*

If you want to join the discussion by Skype, our user name is *wisrinberkeley*. If you have a problem getting through, call us at 510-655-2830.

GROUP ALCHEMY

Saturday, July 14, 10am– 2:00pm

Deborah Pruitt, PhD, WISR Faculty, Facilitator. Following on the introductory seminar, this is an opportunity to go deeper into the group alchemy model for building a culture of success. This cultural practices approach to effectiveness in groups can help any organization, partnership or volunteer group establish the habits that will prevent common frustrations and ensure great outcomes. This model is based on Deborah's research and practice in cultural anthropology and organizational development. Each participant will leave with practical plans for implementing positive practices in your groups. *Please bring a lunch.*

II) *MARRIAGE FAMILY THERAPY (MFT) SEMINARS* are for students pursuing an MFT license. Other interested persons are welcome to attend but are requested to RSVP. They are held at WISR from 10am to 2pm with a short break. **Bring a bag lunch.** (Required seminars for our MA program leading to the State of California's MFT and LPCC licenses are now available by **telephone conference call**. Students or prospective students who wish to participate in a given seminar should contact the faculty member offering the seminar.

The May and June MFT seminars are part of the MFT license masters requirement but also specifically fulfill the educational requirements for the LPCC license masters. To fulfill the LPCC license educational requirement students are required to attend all four seminars along with producing a project. ***The crisis and trauma counseling series meets the LPCC requirements, and that are open for a fee to non-degree students who need it for the LPCC license.***

The seminars will cover:

- 1) Examination of types of trauma and crisis—resulting from such varied causes as natural disasters, social upheaval and unrest, car accidents, interpersonal violence, secondary trauma (e.g., observation of trauma), loss of home or loved ones, among others.
- 2) Theories and methods of immediate, mid-term and long-term interventions. Includes somatic, physiological, and neurological dynamics, as well as cognitive, emotional and behavioral considerations—and the interrelations of all these.
- 3) The role of multidisciplinary assessment and treatment, and strategies for helping trauma survivors to identify and access their own sources of strength and resilience.



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Prospective students and Community Learners are invited to attend these seminars. WISR is on Sacramento at Harmon Street, one block north of Alcatraz. **Contact WISR if you want to carpool.**

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- 4) Consideration of the impact of trauma and crises on entire families, communities and societies, and the role of larger scale interventions.
- 5) Examination of complications from multiple traumas and/or traumas experienced by people with pre-existing emotional challenges and conditions.
- 6) This series will also include crisis treatment protocol (including considerations regarding suicide, danger to others, child abuse, and domestic violence).
- 7) Critical incident debriefing.

TRAUMA AND CRISIS COUNSELING #3 OF 4

Saturday, June 9, 10am-2pm

Please note: This will be at a location in San Leandro, not at WISR, per below

Ronald Mah, MA, MFT, WISR Faculty. (See description above for more information.) Ronald will focus on types of trauma and crisis; legal and ethical issues w/ trauma and crisis response; critical incident debriefing; and impact on families. **Please note: Ronald's seminars in June, July 7, August, and September will at his San Leandro office, 433 Estudillo Ave., #305, San Leandro, CA 94577 (510) 614-5641. *If you plan to participate by phone conference, please e-mail Ronald at Ronald@RonaldMah.com the week before the seminar for the conference call number and login and to remind him to set up the conference phone technology.**

TRAUMA AND CRISIS COUNSELING #4 OF 4

Saturday, June 23, 10am-2pm

Carole Morton, MA, MFT, Faculty. (See description above.) Carole will focus on theories and methods; role of multi-discipline assessment and treatment, examination of complications, and impact on families. **Carole will not lead a seminar in July but Dr. Dana Nussbaum will teach on July 14, beginning the Alcoholism & Substance Abuse series, a 4 part series. Carole will teach on August 18, September 22 and October 20. *If you plan to participate by phone conference, please e-mail Carole at carolejmorton@integrativepsychotherapist.net the week before the seminar for the conference call number and login to remind her to set up the conference phone technology.**

III) ANNOUNCEMENTS

↳ **WISR'S 4TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE** will be August 23-25th, 2012. We are tentatively planning a graduation ceremony that weekend as well.

Please mark your calendars!!!

***WISR Students: Contact John Bilorusky to let him know whether you plan to attend, don't plan to attend or might attend and whether or not you would like to make a presentation.** Students living in the Bay Area should make every effort to attend.



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