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Albany Study Groups

Wednesdays

Communication & Self-Expression in the Digital Age 4 cr with Lisa D'Adamo-Weinstein

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21 British American Blvd., Latham Wednesdays 5:30-7:30 p.m. 11/12, 11/19, 12/3, 12/17, 1/7, 1/28, 2/11

This study group will explore the impact of digital technologies on communication and self-expression. Students will engage in activities using free social networking and digital sharing technologies (Wikis, Blogs, Facebook, YouTube, Photosharing, etc.), will look at current technologies people "can't live without," and will explore practical, social, and theoretical implications of how technology has influenced how humans communicate and the expectations we now have to be "plugged in" 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We will address these issues from several frames of reference including education, media, business/advertising, and family.

Meeting dates/times/locations not yet published

Group Dynamics & GroupWork Skills 4 cr with Joseph Yogtiba

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*** Meeting dates/time/location not yet determined ***

Students in this study will explore the concept and utilization of social groups in human service therapies. Principal issues this study will cover include: general characteristics of the social group; types, functions and developmental stages of groups; intragroup interactions, leadership, communications, and culture; diversity and ethical issues in group work; group worker skills at different stages of group development such as empathic and expressive communication skills.

Social Gerontology 4 cr with Joseph Yogtiba

spaces avail **15** Intro and Adv./Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | Social Sciences - fully

*** Meeting dates/time/location not yet determined ***

This study will introduce the field of social gerontology, and include the following basic issues: the process of aging and senescence; historical view of aging; major physiological, psychological and social consequences of aging; selected social theories of aging, such as role theory, activity theory, disengagement theory, and continuity theory; old age as a stage in the developmental cycle and related theories; demographic trends among the older population and their impact on society, social attitudes towards the elderly and ageism.