

## Faculty of Psychology and Education Sciences



### SEX2460 Psychology of family and sexuality

[45h] 5 credits

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**Language:** French  
**Level:** Second cycle

#### Aims

- to introduce the students to the psychosociological, psycho-clinical and psychoanalytical approaches of social (models, norms, ideals, myths, #) and individual (projects, phantasms, expectancies, desire#) representations about family, couple and sexuality. Reflexion on the reality of the collective and individual practices during crises, degenerations and reconstructions of the considered representations.

#### Main themes

Definition of the object, as social and scientific " construction " and " problem ". Models and methods of objectivation and of subjectivation.

Psychosocial approach : familial institutions and systems of kinship : the passing from the " natural " to the " cultural " ; identities of the families and the couples and identification inside the family and the couple ; the knowledge and the ideals of sexuality : norms, disorders and perversions.

Psychoclinical approach of families and couples : the families and couples in crisis, in degeneration, in reconstruction ; the families and couples as systems (interindividuality, myths and familial secrets) ; the families as histories and life stories (interpersonality, the event, the choice of the partner, the passion, the agreement and the love work) ; the effects of the unconscious structure in the families and couples (intersubjectivity, repetition, act and responsibility).

Psychoanalytical approach of sexuality : the real in question : objective and psychic realities and the registers of reality ; the construction of reality and the body as the place of the sexual reality ; articulation between the drives and representations : fate of the drives, law of Desire and abuses of pleasures ; familial complexes, insitution of the Law, maternal role and paternal function.

#### Content and teaching methods

Lectures and interactive exchanges : introduction of reflections and debates on the themes tackled.

#### Other credits in programs

<b>PSY2</b>	Licence en sciences psychologiques	(4.5 credits)	
<b>SEX21</b>	Première licence en sciences de la famille et de la sexualité	(5 credits)	Mandatory