PSY2941: Psychotherapy Theory and Interventions—Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

This course is designed to introduce the basics of cognitive behavioral theory and therapy (CBT). It is designed as a graduate-level introduction for students studying to become professional therapists. We will explore the use of CBT throughout the full cycle of successful therapy—from creating rapport through assessment and goal setting to intervention and feedback. The work of two of the seminal originators of Cognitive Therapy, Albert Ellis and David Burns, will be studied with emphasis on what they share in common. Another goal of the class is to help students explore the creation and amelioration of emotional disturbance. Finally, students will be expected to understand the use of CBT in their own lives.

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