Communication and Social Contact

This course deals with face to face interaction in natural settings. Interest will center on the components of the communicative act, the variables and models of interaction analysis, and the natural units of interaction for which a literature is available.

The bibliography below suggests the materials to be covered. Starred items to serve as a sample are on day reserve in RBR. The student himself will be responsible for a thorough reading exploration of the area in which he writes his term paper.

1. **Sign Processes**

   A. General


      #*E. Sapir, Selected Writings of Edward Sapir, Univ. of Calif., Berkeley, 1951.

      #*Colin Cherry, On Human Communication.*


   #*Mead, Mind, Self and Society.*

2. **Expressive Behavior**

   A. General


Darwin, *The Expression of Emotions in Men and Animals.*


Parsons, *The Structure of Social Action.*


B. Klopfer and D. M. Kelley, *The Rorschach Technique.*

**II. Expressive Norms**


2. Interaction: Models and Variables

*Von Neumann and Morgenstern, Theory of Games and Economic Behavior.*


*Moreno, Who Shall Survive

*Goffman, Papers on Interaction.

_____, *Presentation of Self in Everyday Life.*

Malinowski, Supplement 1, to Ogden and Richards, *The Meaning of Meaning.*


S. Freud, *Group Psychology and the Analysis of the Ego.*


*Hare, Borgatta and Bales, Small Groups*, Knopf, 1955.
3. Units


H. F. Wright and R. G. Barker, Methods in Psychological Ecology (mimeo progress report, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas).


4. Substantive Areas

A. Conversation


B. Task Meetings


*Cartwright and Zander, Group Dynamics, Row Peterson, 1953.


Powdermaker and Frank, Group Psychotherapy (Harvard Univ. Press, 1953).

W. R. Bion, Experiences in Groups, Human Relations, Vol. 1, Nos. 2 and 4; Vol. 2, Nos. 1 and 4; Vol. 3, No. 1.


C. Two-Person Psychotherapy


D. Performances


E. Play-Games

E. H. Green, "Group Play and Quarreling among Pre-School Children," Child Development, 4, 1933.


F. Public Behavior

"Emily Post, Etiquette.

"Vogue Book of Etiquette.

"Lord Chesterfield's Letters to His Son.


A. de Tocqueville, Democracy in America.


G. Social Occasions