

The Philadelphia Jung Institute

Advanced Clinical Practice Program

2025 - 2026

A case seminar for experienced clinicians to read, explore and apply Jung's concepts to clinical practice

At some point in professional development, psychotherapists may become aware of psychological dynamics that lie outside the parameters of mental health as commonly taught and practiced. Realization emerges that the nature of the psyche is far more complex than cognitive, behavioral and ego-oriented approaches suggest or understand.

The work of C.G. Jung may then be rediscovered, with new readiness for insights that breathe life into therapeutic practice. The wisdom of the unconscious sheds light on perplexing aspects of therapeutic experience and opens clinician and client into new dimensions of healing and wholeness.

When engaging depth, it is helpful to have collaboration and guidance. How does one apply Jung's concepts to practice? How does one identify complexes in a client? What is shadow and what does it look like in clinical practice? How do we differentiate personal material from archetypal forces in the collective unconscious? How can we grasp the imagistic language of the inner world?

The Advanced Clinical Practice Program is designed to aid licensed clinicians to work with Jungian ideas and practices.

Program Description

PAJA's Advanced Clinical Practice

Program will provide support and guidance to licensed psychotherapists interested in understanding Jungian concepts in the context of clinical practice. Assigned readings will inform an aspect of practice and serve as a springboard for exploration and discussion. The course will be limited to eight participants. Each semester will be taught by a senior analyst and will meet virtually four times for four hours each seminar.

Fall Semester 2025

September 6th, October 4th, November 1st, December 13th Saturday 11AM - 3PM ET

Working with the Feeling Function

John R. White, PhD, LPC, Jungian Diplomate

Description

One of Carl Jung's seminal contributions to psychoanalysis is his development of "typology," i.e., his differentiation of four basic types of psychic functioning and his creative use of these functions in the service both of diagnosis and of healing analytic patients. However, though this contribution has been enormously influential on certain areas of psychology, especially through the famous Meyers-Briggs test and various other iterations of these ideas, some of the deeper and more analytically relevant aspects of the various functions have perhaps remained underdeveloped. In this seminar, we will look directly at one of the basic functions, the feeling function, both spelling out its nature in detail and developing ways of working with the feeling function clinically, by itself and in tandem with the other functions.

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Syllabus

Each session will begin with a brief discussion (20-30 minutes) of a specific example or aspect of derivative communication and communicative fields. The rest of the time will be used for two case presentations from participants.

Primary source: Jung, Psychological Types, Collected Works, vol. 6.

For some of the broader background behind my approach (though not required reading), see

John White, Adaptation and Psychotherapy. Langs and Analytical Psychology, Rowman & Littlefield, 2023.

Session 1

September 6th: Jung's treatment of the four basic psychic functions

A general discussion of the nature of psychic functions, of Jung's differentiation of four basic functions, and of his understanding of how the functions themselves – not just their content – can be unconscious.

Required reading:

Jung, (1923). "Psychological Types." In Psychological Types, Collected Works, vol. 6. Paragraphs 883-913

Session 2

October 4th: The nature of the Feeling Function

A discussion of the nature and specific activities of the feeling function and their relevance for psychotherapy and analysis.

Required reading:

Psychological Types, Collected Works, vol. 6., Paragraphs 595-603; 638-646; 723-731

Session 3

November 1st: Understanding value as the "object" of feeling

Jung describes value as the "content" of feeling, a point that causes some confusion among English-language commentators. We discuss the meaning of "value" for Jung, setting his own statements in the intellectual context in which he was writing.

Required reading:

Paper by John White on the issue of value and feeling.

Session 4

December 13th: Ressentiment as an example of a deformation of the feeling function

An examination of the phenomenon and importance of *ressentiment* as a clinical phenomenon.

Required reading:

White, "Ressentiment. Its phenomenology and clinical significance."

Spring Semester 2026

Sunday 1PM - 5PM ET February 8, March 8, April 19, May 17

Complex Psychology: A Closer Look

Mark Dean, MA, ATR, LPC, Diplomate Jungian Analyst

Everyone knows nowadays that people "have complexes. What is not so well known, though far more important theoretically, is that the complexes can have us.

- C.G. Jung, CW8, Par. 200

Perhaps the most under-appreciated aspect of analytic psychology is the phenomenon of the complex. So central was this theme in Jung's model that his approach was often termed "Complex Psychology." For the beginner, the idea of the complex appears simply enough understood and is considered "the problem" in analysis. But once we explore the nature of the complex more deeply and utilize actual case material where we can see the complex in its functional nature, what is opened up to us is a profound appreciation for all that the complex encompasses, both as a theoretical construct and as a functional organ of the soul. There is literally nothing in the life of the individual that is not connected to their complexes and it astonishing to realize the extent to which a given life is mediated primarily by their core complexes.

In this 4-week Seminar we will be taking a deep dive into the world of the complex. Our first week will consist of a basic orientation to complexes as outlined by Jung in Volume 8. We will go through this work carefully as there is much in it. The second week will be devoted to comprehending the relationship between the Ego and the Archetypes as this space is mediated by the complex. We will explore the issue of the relative power of the complex as related to energic relationship between the archetype and the Ego. In our third week we will be tracking how the complex orchestrates the nature of the interpersonal world. How do we constellate others and how does our external relational field reflect internally driven complex material. Lastly, we will try to look into the teleological function of the complex with regard for its potential for renewal and the evolution of the soul. How is it possible that the complex has a purposive function?

Mark Dean is a Senior Jungian Analyst on the faculty of the C.G. Jung Institute of Philadelphia and the Pittsburgh Society of Jungian Analysts. His background is in the fine arts and prior to his analytic career he practiced as an art therapist and art therapy instructor for over 30 years. He is a graduate of the IRSJA and holds a graduate degree in both fine arts, MFA from Queens College, and art therapy, an MA from Hahnemann University. His undergraduate work was at the Rhode Island School of Design. He has had a distinguished art career with both exhibits as well as receiving awards.

For the first month I have elected to begin with a reading from Jung. For subsequent months I will provide informal papers of my own within which I will be elucidating the principles that we are looking to activate and bring into focus. These will be provided two weeks prior to the next session.

Session 1

February 8th: A Review of Complex Theory

Required reading:

"A Review of Complex Theory," Collected Works of C.G. Jung, Vol. 8.

Session 2

March 8th: The Complex as Mediator of the Self

Suggested reading:

Ego and Archetype: Edward F. Edinger, (1992)

Assignment:

In looking at a case in which complex is activated. Take a stab at distilling how the polarities active in the case reflect a unified principle, or quality, that has become divided in its nature. What are the core elements that are existing in opposition? Can you bring these down to a core principle or archetypal image?

Session 3

April 19th: The Complex as a Field Phenomenon

Required reading: TBD

Assignment:

In reviewing a case in which you observe the presence of complex, how might you imagine the polarities within the complex as constellating the various elements that you see existing in the life of your client? This may well involve things like career choice but also, and in particular, the qualities and dynamics occurring in the relational field? How can the Eros or antipathy occurring in the relational field be traced back to the dominant complexes operant in the life of the individual?

Session 4

May 17th: The Complex as Teleological Function of the Soul

Required reading: TBD

Assignment: In reviewing a case take a look at the nature of the complex in relation to its teleological function in the regeneration, or mutation, of the soul of the client. How might we see the complex orchestrating a collision between an existing paradigm within the Ego and an aspect of split off, or emergent, quality of the soul? Is perhaps the complex setting up a catastrophe in the life of the individual? To what purpose might such a trajectory be aimed? Why might this be necessary?



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Advanced Clinical Practice Program

Admission & Program Information

Applicants for this program will:

- 1. Have legal mental health licensure (attach) and have been in clinical practice for a minimum of 5 years.
- 2. Submit the Application (attached) and signed Non-Discrimination Policy.
- 3. Schedule an interview with the Director of the Advanced Clinical Studies Program, Mark Dean.
- 4. If accepted, mail the notarized *Advanced Clinical Practice Program Agreement* to the Program Director at the following address:

Mark Dean 216 E Elmhurst Rd. Pittsburgh PA 15220

The *non-refundable* tuition of \$1,500 for the seminar is due immediately upon acceptance. Participants will be invoiced via email and must remit payment electronically following the instructions found on the invoice. Special arrangements must be made to pay by credit card.

This program is heuristic in nature. Its goal is the utilization of case material in the process of understanding key Jungian concepts and their relevance to clinical practice. The Advanced Clinical Practice Program does not provide clinical supervision; hours accrued cannot be used to fulfill licensing or other professional requirements. Participants are responsible for ensuring the confidentiality of the clinical case material presented.



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Application Form

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License Jurisdiction, Number and Type:	
Number of Years in Practice:	
Location of Practice:	
Type of Practice (clinic, private, other)	
Clientele (children, adolescents, couples, adults)	

Please attach a paragraph describing your experience and interest in Jungian psychology and the PAJA Advanced Clinical Practice Program.

Please attach a copy of your current license to practice mental health.



Non-discrimination Policy

PAJA respects diversity, pledges equity, and seeks inclusion in its admissions processes, administrative decisions, and interpersonal relations. We strive for personal and cultural sensitivity in all our endeavors. We are committed to listening, learning, and contributing to greater understanding of how racism and other forms of discrimination exist as shadow: in ourselves, our communities, our country and our world.

As Jungians, we endeavor to recognize, understand and admit Shadow into consciousness. We are therefore committed to acting in accordance with the high value we place on the value of affiliation, openness, and interest in the Other within or in the external world. We promote sensitivity and knowledge about oppression and its effects. Should conflicts arise, we will endeavor to resolve them in a transparent, conscientious, and caring manner.

We will prevent, confront, or eliminate discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, marital or military status, political belief, religion, immigration status, or disability.

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