Culture and the Self in Global Therapeutic Encounters

A one-day conference
Monday, February 8th, the Andrews Conference Room, SSH 2203

Opening Remarks
Tamar Kaneh-Shalit and Li Zhang

9:30am-11:45am - Religious and Secular Logics of Selfhood

Integrity of the Self among the Demonically Possessed
Thomas Csordas (Anthropology, UCSD)

Loving Yourself as the (Neo)Liberal Subject:
Therapeutics of the Protestant Secular
Ian Whitmarsh (Anthropology, History & Social Medicine, UCSF)

The Arabic Freud:
Psychoanalysis and Islam in Modern Egypt
Omnia El Shakry (History, UCD)

Affective Objects and the Strange Situation Experiment
Eric Taggart (Performance Studies, UCD)

1pm-3:15pm Self Care in Crisis under Neoliberalism

The Goal is not to Cheer You Up:
Empathetic Care in Israeli Life Coaching
Tamar Kaneh-Shalit (Anthropology and Jewish Studies, UCD)

Cultivating the Therapeutic Self in Postsocialist China
Li Zhang (Anthropology, UCD)

Tragic Translations:
Care, Cure, and the Stumbling Temporalities of a Crisis
Cristiana Giordano (Anthropology, UCD)

The Wandering Patient:
Spirit, Symptom, and the Psychogeography of Dublin, Ireland
Michael D’Arcy (Medical Anthropology, UCB and UCSF)

3:30pm-4:15pm - Future Directions in Exploring Selfhood

Concluding Remarks and Discussion
Joseph Dumit (Anthropology and Director, ISS, UCD)
and workshop participants

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