



Session III B, July 24-26, 2017

39. Hate Crimes and Hate Behavior: Victims, Perpetrators, and Angels

Today, teaching about hate crimes and extreme prejudice is like being a weather commentator standing in front of a tsunami. This introduction to the psychology of bias and hate violence will develop competencies in assessing motivation to commit hate crimes, determining issues impacting victim reportage and help-seeking, and finding effective means of intervening in community and organizational settings impacted by intolerance. We will examine these problems sequentially over three days to examine issues concerning hate motivation and violence, victim risk and recovery, and practices for response and prevention. We will examine research-based learning, clinical/forensic case study, and group project activities. The role of culture will be specifically examined in terms of issues of coping with trauma and differences of cultural orientations and social justice practices.

Designed for: Consulting behavioral scientists, mental health practitioners, law enforcement professionals, educators, advocates, applied cross-cultural practitioners, and people working with victims and at-risk individuals for hate aggression.

Workshop Objectives

You will have the opportunity to:

- Review the psychological science of extreme bias and hate activity
- Employ tools to assess the form of bias aggression found with at-risk populations
- Understand community, cultural, and social factors associated with authoritarian regime change
- Develop knowledge of the psychological injury of hate aggression and address forms of recovery for victims of bias motivated violence
- Acquire and practice assessment skills in defining forms of hate violence

Learning Activities

- Learning methods will include didactic presentations, research-based learning, clinical/forensic case study, self-study, video and film examples, and group project activities.
- Practice in the use of assessment tools developed by the presenter will address issues of determining bias motivation, risk assessment, and victim intervention planning.



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