

Public Event: Online (via Zoom)

BIPOC Student Panel – Why Psychoanalysis?

Join us for an informal virtual discussion among students of color studying at the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies, a New York State licensure-qualifying psychoanalytic training institute, and its sister school, the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis—New York, which offers the Master of Arts in Psychoanalytic Studies. Students will describe what led them to psychoanalysis and their experiences as BIPOC students at a white majority school.

There will be a moderated discussion followed by a Q&A session.

This event is for:

- undergraduate students considering a master's degree in psychoanalytic studies and possible future psychoanalytic training
- students currently in a master's program or people who already have a master's degree and are considering psychoanalytic training

The panel looks forward to answering the questions of all potential applicants, regardless of whether they identify as Black, Indigenous, or people of color.

Sunday, March 30, 2025 | 3:00 – 4:30 PM

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Nardia Brooks, LCSW, Moderator, is a psychoanalyst in private practice serving BIPOC and diverse patients in Bedford-Stuyvesant and Brooklyn Heights. She has worked extensively in outpatient and addiction treatment units. She completed her psychoanalytic training at the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies and is currently a doctoral candidate at the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis. She was born and raised in Jamaica, West Indies.



Eve Blazo, LCSW, Student Panelist, is a psychotherapist in private practice and a 4th-year candidate at the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies. She is also the Associate Director of the Institute for Human Identity, the nation's first and longest-running provider of LGBTQ+-affirmative psychotherapy.



Natalie Chan, Student Panelist, fell in love with psychoanalysis as a patient at the CMPS Referral Service. She has been studying psychoanalysis since 2021 and is enrolled in the BGSP-NY master's program, with the goal of becoming a licensed psychoanalyst after a 20-year career as a skincare product developer in the beauty industry.



Sherry Huang, Student Panelist, found herself in an analyst's office for the first time in 2018, the year psychoanalysis began changing her life. Since enrolling in BGSP-NY in 2022 at the encouragement of her analyst, she continues to balance working full-time with working through Freud's theories.



Michael Martinez, Student Panelist, is a social worker and the Associate Director of the Counseling Center at Hostos Community College, where he is dedicated to supporting student mental health and well-being. He earned his master's degree from Fordham University and has a strong commitment to advocacy and leadership, helping to create a supportive environment for students navigating academic and personal challenges.