

NEW CENTER FOR PSYCHOANALYSIS: ARCHIVAL COLLECTIONS
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**Left to right, seated: Sigmund Freud, Sándor Ferenczi, Hanns Sachs.
Standing: Otto Rank, Karl Abraham, Max Etingon, Ernest Jones. 1922**

New Center for Psychoanalysis is introducing a historic Archival Collection from its Repository. This Archival Collection comprises thousands of documents reflecting, in a broader sense, on multifaceted discourses of the Psychoanalytic Movement in Los Angeles, as well as on scientific narratives, elucidating the modern and postmodern Theories of Psychoanalysis. The earliest documents are dated by the late 19th century, while the contemporary documents are related to the nowadays scientific works.

In 1939, Dr. Ernst Simmel, the former Director of the first Psychoanalytic Hospital *Schloss Tegel*, near Berlin and the founder of the Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, wrote,

To be sure it is not something psychic that holds human society together or what we are living to see just now that threatens to break

it up. It is the struggle for existence among individuals as well as among nations. But decisively new way we have learned from Freud to look at it is that this struggle for the treasures of civilization as well as for the material products, necessary for our existence, is decisively influenced by unconscious, irrational motives.

Distress, in which individuals and peoples live, is to the great extent due to the fact that a considerable amount of any distress, from which men suffer, is unconsciously created by the men themselves and that in spite of this struggling the men are unable to free themselves from the distress just because they unconsciously are bound to it.

Dr. Ernst Simmel, 1939

The NCP Online Archive and Research Catalog,

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The screenshot shows the homepage of the New Center for Psychoanalysis Los Angeles (NCP LA) online archive. At the top, the date '4/24/2018' is on the left, and 'NCP LA' is on the right. The main header features the 'NCP' logo in green and blue, followed by 'NEW CENTER for PSYCHOANALYSIS los angeles'. Below the header is a search bar with a 'Search' button. To the right of the search bar, it says 'Welcome, NCPSE (ncpse)' with a small icon. Below the search bar is a navigation menu with tabs: 'Browse', 'Collections', 'Digital Content', 'Subjects', 'Creators', and 'Record Groups'. The 'Location: Archon' is displayed below the menu. The main content area is titled 'New Center for Psychoanalysis Los Angeles' and contains three sections: 'Default Behaviors' (listing search engine settings), 'Search By Phrase' (listing search query tips), and 'Narrow Your Search Results' (listing search filters). At the bottom, there is a login bar showing 'You are logged in as NCPSE (ncpse)' with a small icon. Below the login bar, it says 'Page Generated in: 0.003 seconds (using 77 queries). Using 5.03% of memory (Peak of 5.48%).' and 'Powered by Archon Version 3.7.1 new-3 Copyright ©2017 The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Hosted by Librarians'. The URL 'http://ncp-la.info/' is in the bottom left corner, and '1/8' is in the bottom right corner.

The NCP Online Archive Titular Page

We have created a modern Online Archive and a Repository, both reflecting the multi-vectorial discourse on the Science of Psychoanalysis and elucidating the varying psychoanalytic narratives, dated from the early 1920s to nowadays.

This Repository is centered around the corpus of documents, inherited and preserved over the time at the New Center for Psychoanalysis.

We are working to build an index-term searchable Online Archive available and useful for professionals not only in psychoanalytic disciplines but also in interdisciplinary research.

Archival Repository (the Archival Collection) of the New Center for Psychoanalysis is being built on the premise of subject-oriented structure. This paradigm reflects the following

- Historical chronology of Psychoanalytic Movement in Los Angeles;
- Personalia of scientists and scholars, who pioneered in Psychoanalytic Science, practicing applied psychoanalysis and conducted psychoanalytic studies;
- The Lexicon or the Control Vocabulary as a formalized narrative, enabling indexing and the other correlated functions of the search system;
- The Online Historic Archive of the NCP is a historic Collection, comprising digitized original documents, primary sources and secondary literature;
- Availability for the end-user to work with any of the catalogued and indexed and digitized documents by means of the corresponding browsing of the System.

The state of Research and Archival processing.

Therein we have structured the macro-collections as the Record Groups, thus comprising the overall content of the given Repository.

Admittedly, the in-depth sub-division and typological determination remains a subject of further research.

With a various extent of cataloguing, indexing, digitization and archival preservation, we have preliminarily processed the following Record Groups,

- RG -- 01, Psychoanalytic Institute Foundation of Los Angeles. Correspondences, 1938 – 1940. Dr. Ernst Simmel, Correspondences;
- RG -- 02, Dr. Otto Fenichel, Papers, 1936 – 1964;
- RG -- 03, Dr. Hanna Fenichel (Heilborn) Papers, 1920s -- 1970s;
- RG -- 04, Dr. Hanna Heilborn (Fenichel), Educational Papers, Germany, 1900s -- 1920s;
- RG -- 05, Los Angeles Psychoanalytic Society and Psychoanalytic Institute, Papers, 1940s -- 1950s;
- RG -- 06, Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, Papers, 1935 – 1946;
- RG -- 07, Psychoanalytic Institutions in Los Angeles, Correspondences, 1940s, 1950s, 1960s;
- RG -- 08, Dr. Ernst Simmel, Papers, 1908 – 1946;
- RG -- 09, Reflections on international periodicals of Psychoanalysis, Papers, 1920s, 1930s;
- RG -- 10, History Committee for the Psychoanalytic Society, Los Angeles, Papers, 1960s;
- RG -- 11, Interviews (testimonies) with the former Members of the Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, conducted in 1961 -- 1965;
- RG -- 12, Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, correspondences and related documents, 1900s -- 1940s;
- RG -- 13, Psychoanalytic Narratives, Discourses and Conceptions. Papers, 1930s – 1960s;
- RG -- 14, Biographical information of the analysts, correspondences;
- RG -- 15, Dr. David Brunswick, Papers, 1930s – 1960s;

- RG -- 16, History of Psychoanalysis, Europe and America, The role of the local psychoanalytic institutions, 1930s – 1960s;
- RG -- 17, Correspondences from Dr. Sigmund Freud to Dr. Franz Alexander, Papers, 1924 – 1936;
- RG – 18, Correspondences from Dr. Sigmund Freud to Dr. Ernst Simmel, 1918 – 1939;
- RG – 19, Formation of the Psychoanalytic Institute of Los Angeles, Papers, 1939 – 1946;
- RG – 20, Dissention (the Split) in 1950, reflections and discourse. Works of the History Committee, for the Psychoanalytic Society, Papers, 1960s;
- RG – 21, Dr. Ernst Simmel, essays, articles, lectures and reviews, the German period, 1908 – 1934, Papers;
- RG – 22, Dr. Ernst Simmel, manuscripts and drafts for the monographs, essays and articles in English, unpublished works, Papers, 1935 – 1947;
- RG -- 23, Sigmund Freud, Related correspondences and photo-documents in the NCP-LA Archive;
- RG -- 24, Selected Correspondences between the Freudian Circle of Psychoanalysts, 1918 -- 1950s;
- RG -- 25, Richard Loewenberg Papers, 1940s, 1950s;
- RG -- 26, Correspondences of Hanna Fenichel with a circle of psychoanalysts, 1940s - 1950s

Our preliminary assessment accounts for the approximate amount from 9,000 to 14,000 thousand documents preserved in the NCP Archive. Please note that any given document largely contains more than one page (an average document may comprise from 1 to 12 pages and more).

The NCP Archival Collection contains highly valuable in historic and psychoanalytic terms scientific works penned by Dr. Ernst Simmel, and his colleagues, as well as by the following generation of

researchers, scholars and analysts. There are two Collections of Correspondences from Dr. Freud. The one is the collections of the letters from Dr. Freud to Dr. Simmel, dated by 1918 – 1939. The other collection comprised the letters from Dr. Freud to Dr. Alexander, dated by 1924 – 1936.

Evidently, the published and largely unpublished works (manuscripts) of the analysts working in Los Angeles from the 1930s to the late 1960s constitute an outstanding legacy for the modern Science of Psychoanalysis, namely in Psychodynamics and Applied Psychoanalysis.

Online Archival and Research Catalog

We have selected the Archon Platform for the online archival database. The Archon is a unified platform for archival description, research processes and fundamental search functions.

This system enables the end-user to conduct a multi-vectorial research through the wide array of keywords, subject-matters, scientific topics, personal names, chronological periods, all in all under various angles, with functional focusing on the psychoanalytic content.

Ramification of archival browsing is directly correlated to the Index terms or in other words to the content related subjects. The subject-matters are factual derivatives from the topical connotations and thus constitute the principal search instruments.

The topical index terms comprise a broad group of keywords, collectively describing the content of any archival entity. In relation to the NCP Archive, it is by and large, a Psychoanalytic Content.

The discourse-related or the collective index terms largely reflect the activity of psychoanalytic institutions. The personal index terms mirror personal discourses. All these groups of the index - terms collectively characterize the broader themes. Overall, they constitute the archival structure of the NCP Collections and Record Groups.

In practical sense, the end-users can:

- Simultaneously search correlated descriptions of archival materials in digital format;
- View, download, print and use digital content;

- View, print and search finding aids for individual collections;
- Easily navigate from digital content to archival descriptions and vice versa;
- Browse materials by the means of subject headings, creator and any combination of search words;
- In other words, a given research theme can be browsed under various angles in all archival entities, including the corresponding digital content.

The Archon Platform has been installed online by the professional IT library and archival company, namely The LibraryHost. We have obtained a permanent domain, that is

<http://ncp-la.info/>

Please note our official name in the virtual world of the Internet It is

NCP-LA.info

One may check this out by merely Googling it, namely typing **NCP-LA.info**. This Google-search shall result in the appearance of our Archival Interface.

We have processed four archival collections in traditional and online formats. These collections are described by the corresponding historical and archival criteria. The underlying components to identify an archival collection comprise a series of historic and bibliographic categories correlated to the entire collection and, figuratively speaking, engulfing the composition of documents with correlated subject-matters. The online-available collections are listed below,

- RG -- 02, Dr. Otto Fenichel, Papers, 1918 -- 1960s
- RG - 04, Dr. Hanna Heilborn (Fenichel), Papers, Germany, 1900s -- 1920s;
- RG -- 06, Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, Papers, 1935 – 1946;
- RG – 08, Dr. Ernst Simmel, Papers, 1908 – 1946;

- RG -- 10, The Works of the History Committee ,1960s;
- RG – 11, Interviews with the former Members of Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, conducted in 1961 – 1965;
- RG – 13, Psychoanalytic Narratives, Discourses and Conceptions. Papers, 1930s – 1960s;
- RG -- 18, Correspondences from Dr. Freud to Dr. Simmel, 1918 – 1939;
- RG -- 24, Selected Correspondences between the Freudian Circle of Psychoanalysts, 1918 -- 1950s;
- RG -- 25, Richard Loewenberg Papers, 1940s, 1950s

These selected Collections, by and large, exemplify by scope and content, the entire NCP Archival Collection.

The Research Apparatus attached to these collections is a formalized Control Vocabulary, oriented to the content, discourses and delineated narratives, applied to all Collections.

By means of using the series of subject-matters (index terms) and in a broader perspective by interpenetration and juxtaposition of historic and bibliographic descriptions, the end-users can find the entities of interrelated and scientifically corroborated content.

The end-user can employ any search categories, presented on the main page of the NCP Archival Interface, namely,

- Collections,
- Subjects,
- Creators,
- Digital Content,
- Record Group.
- It is advisable to use the Category of Subjects in the initial search, for it shall render a broader spectrum of the content-related results.

This Archive reflects on the History and Methodology of Psychoanalysis, then still a new scientific discipline on American soil since the 1920s.

Beginning with the mid-1930s an influx of prominent European scholars would become a typology for the development of American Psychoanalysis. Psychoanalysts and Philosophers who defied National Socialist regimes in Germany and later in the Nazi-controlled countries had to leave Academia and flee to England, America or to the other unoccupied countries. There was no place in Nazi Germany and Austria for the psychoanalysts of Jewish origin, as well as for those, whose political persuasion related to Social Democracy and Liberalism. For many, the transitional period was imbued with feelings of vexation and despondency. Although these cohorts of Psychoanalytic Scholars worked strenuously. Longing for the old world, they did not recede in the New World. The Edifice of the West Coast American Psychoanalysis received a compelling European psychoanalytic Countenance.

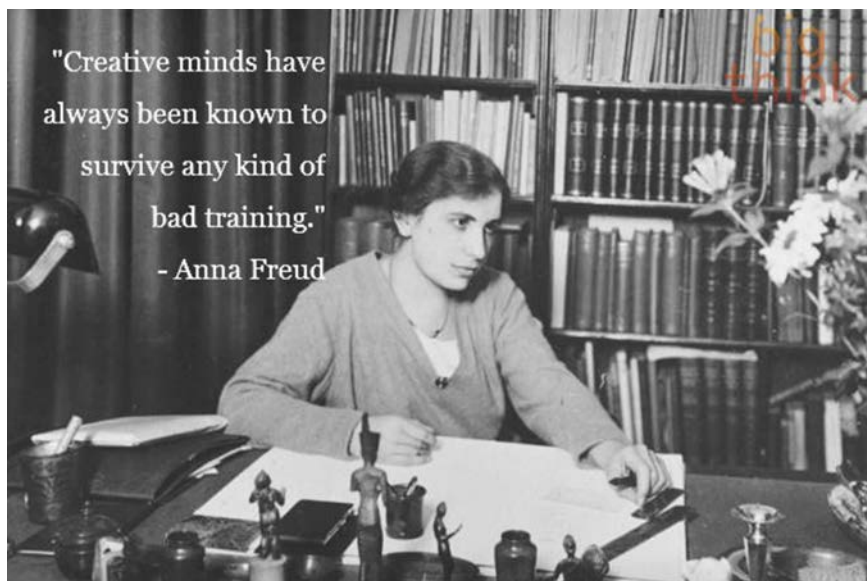
Collection, RG -- 24, Selected Correspondences between the Freudian Circle of Psychoanalysts, 1918 -- 1950s, reflects on a cohort of psychoanalytic scholars who since 1930s lived abroad, largely in America and United Kingdom. Perhaps among these scholars, there were two the utmost loyal and working strenuously to preserve and further implement the legacy of Sigmund Freud. In relation to this Archive, we are referring to Dr. Ernst Simmel and Anna Freud.

It is indicative for the advance level of scholarship evinced by the Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles. In the same year (1936) of the publication of Anna Freud's work, *The Ego and the Mechanism of Defense*, Professor Paul Epstein, a Council Member twice on scientific meetings of the group, namely on November 20 and December 18, 1936 presented his discourse on the given theme. The topic presented by Prof. Epstein was entitled as follows, "The Ego and its Defense Mechanism."

The essence of intransigent Psychoanalysis is lucidly construed in one of the Anna Freud's letters,

If you want to be a real psychoanalyst you have to have a great love of the truth, scientific truth as well as personal truth and you have to place this appreciation of truth higher than any discomfort at meeting unpleasant facts, whether they belong to the world outside or to your own inner person.

Further, I think that a psychoanalyst should have... interests... beyond the limits of the medical field... in fact that belong to sociology, religion and history...otherwise his outlook on... his patient will remain too narrow. This point contains... the necessary preparations beyond the requirements made on candidates of psychoanalysis in the institutes. You ought to be a great reader and become acquainted with the literature of many countries and cultures. In the great literary figures you will find people who know at least as much of human nature as the psychiatrists and psychologists try to do.



RG -- 25, Richard Loewenberg Papers, 1940s, 1950s

This Collection comprises correspondences between Dr. Richard D. Loewenberg and Dr. Hanna Fenichel in the period of late 1940s and the early 1950s. The correspondences feature professional and amicable relation between Dr. Richard Loewenberg and Dr. Hanna Fenichel. This Collections contains 21 documents.

RG-26, Correspondences of Hanna Fenichel with a circle of psychoanalysts, 1940s - 1950s

This Collection comprises correspondences between Hanna Fenichel (Heilborn) with the individuals belonging to a Freudian school of psychoanalysis. The time-span of the narratives relates to the years between 1947 and 1952. It was the time when Hanna Fenichel (Heilborn) was active in psychoanalytic scholarship. This activity largely evinces through the correspondences with renown psychoanalysts and scholars as well as her scholarly articles.

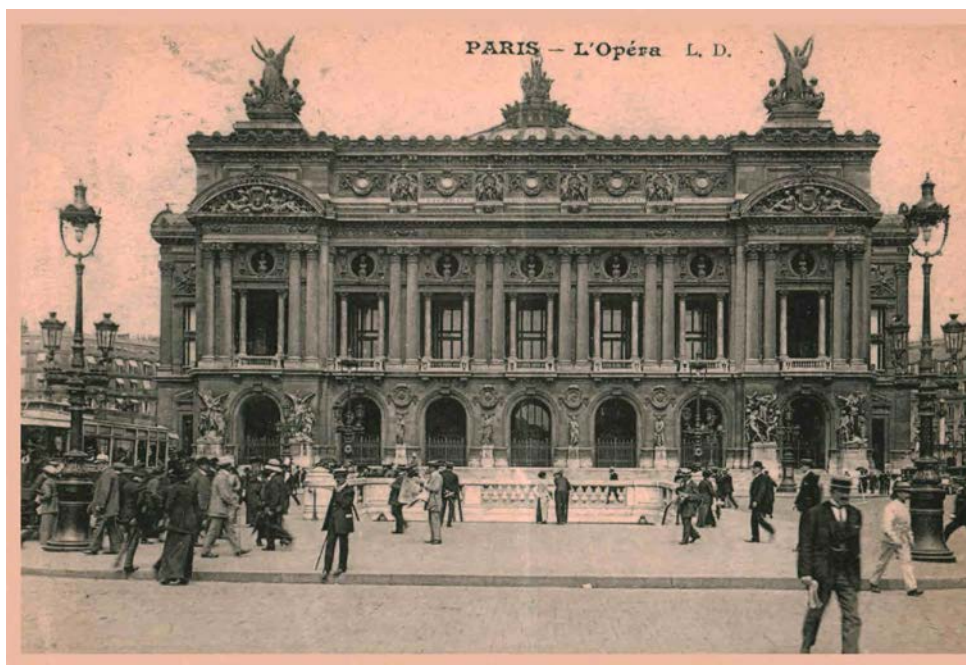
The ample group of correspondences relates to the letter exchange between Hanna Fenichel (Heilborn) and James and Alix Strachey in 1947 – 1952.

The second by amount of the letters is grouped to the correspondence between Hanna Fenichel (Heilborn) and Erik Erikson in 1952.

The third by amount of the letters group of correspondences relates to the letters between Hanna Fenichel (Heilborn) and Annie Reich in 1947, 1948.

This Collection also contains correspondences between Hanna Fenichel (Heilborn) and Ernest Simmel, Hans Lampl, August Aichhorn, Bertram D. Lewin and S.I. Hayakawa.

There are 32 documents included in to this Collection.



RG-04.34, Postcard to Hanna Heilborn in Charlottenburg, Germany from
Paris, before 1933

Anna Freud, Vienna, 1920s

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the NCP Psychoanalysis Los Angeles website. The page title is "RG-06.25, Prof. Epstein, Scientific meeting, Psychoanalytic Study Group, December 18, 1936 | NCP-LA". The page content includes a sidebar with a PDF icon and the text "RG-06.25, Prof. Epstein, Scientific meeting, Psychoanalytic Study Group, December 18, 1936 (PDF Document, 16.6 KB)". The main content area lists metadata for the document: Title, Date, ID, Repository, Found in, Creators, Subjects, and Languages. The Subjects list includes "Documents from the NCP-LA.info Archive", "Documents from the NCP-LA Archive", "Documents from the NCP Archive, Professor Epstein", "Prof. Epstein, The Ego and Its Defense Mechanism, scientific meeting, December 18, 1936", "Psychoanalysis, discourse and conceptions", "Psychoanalytic Study Group, scientific meetings, topics", "Psychoanalytic Study Group, scientific meetings", "Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, scientific meetings", "Scientific meetings, discussions", "Scientific works of Professor Paul Epstein, 1936s - 1950s", "Theory and implication of psychoanalysis", "Theory of psychoanalysis, scientific", and "Theory of psychoanalysis, Prof. Epstein". The Languages list includes "English". At the bottom of the page, there is a status bar showing "Page Generated in 0.123 seconds (using 218 queries, using 7.03MB of memory (Peak of 8.29MB))."

RG-06.25, Prof. Epstein, Scientific meeting, Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, December 18, 1936. Topic: *The Ego and Its Defense Mechanism*

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Documents from the NCP Archive, Professor Epstein

Prof. Epstein, The Ego and its Defense Mechanism, scientific meeting, December 18, 1936

Psychoanalysis, discourse and conceptions

Psychoanalytic Study Group, scientific meetings

Psychoanalytic Study Group, scientific meetings, topics

Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, scientific meetings

Scientific meetings, discussions

Scientific works of Professor Paul Epstein, 1930s - 1950s

Theory and implication of Psychoanalysis

Theory of Psychoanalysis, narratives

Theory of Psychoanalysis, Prof. Epstein

Below is an excerpt from a work-program approved earlier, at the Executive Council Meeting on October 29, 1936.

The document,

RG-06.23, Minutes of Executive Council Meeting for the Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles

Work program:

1 November 1936, Review of The Ego and its Defense Mechanisms by Anna Freud,

presented by Prof. Paul Epstein

2 December 1936, Transference and Education, Mrs. M. Leonard

3 January 1937, Juvenile Delinquency, Ms. H. Powner

4 February 1937, Sublimation (as differentiated from other libido outcomes), Mrs. F. Deri

LOS ANGELES PSYCHOANALYTIC STUDY GROUP

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New Center for Psychoanalysis Los Angeles

Default Behaviors

- The search engine looks for records containing every term you submit.

Search By Phrase

- Use double quotes around your search query. (e.g. "Festival of Contemporary Arts")

Narrow Your Search Results

- Use a minus sign before a term you want to omit from your results. (e.g. "base -fish" finds base guitars but not bass fishing.)
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Interface, showing an option to browse by a Subject (a category)

The corroborated by the content, series of the subjects and creators are indicative for the corresponding search categories. All in all, the Archival Libraries of the Subject-Matters and Creators comprise Hierarchical Authority in the form of Controlled Vocabulary. The corresponding digital content is being added to every processed document and as such it

complements and corroborates the found earlier all descriptive parameters, related to the given document.

The second rubric in the Online Archive and Catalog relates to the Description of a Collection by the means of the following categories:

- Abstract
- Scope
- Bibliographical and Historical Note
- Bibliographical and Historical notes' author
- Subjects
- Languages

If we, for example, we shall to search for the documents related to Dr. Ernst Simmel, then his name would be regarded as a 'category'. Once it is typed in a search box, near the NCP logotype, of the Public Interface, the search begins. In our example, resultant to this search would be 164 category-like matches (please note it is only the beginning of the online processing).

In the result, all the correlated subject-matters (index terms) where the name in question (Dr. Ernst Simmel) was part of a subjective phrase have been identified and made available for further research.

All digital content, if it has been added, is also available alongside the list of rendered results.

The exemplified list of index terms containing the name, Dr. Ernst Simmel, is a collective composition from the four collections processed so far.

As indexing and adding of the digital content continue, the number of subject-matters related to the discourse interconnected to Dr. Ernst Simmel (as an archival subject) shall greater increase in terms of broadened content and amplitude of quantity.

The following list of index terms together with the titles of actual documents becomes tantamount attached and available for further research. Please see a replica of the search results below,



Dr. Ernst Simmel

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List of the corresponding to the given browsing by name, Dr. Ernst Simmel, results, page 1.

[Dr. Ernst Simmel, man and scientist, perception of his secretary Diana Atkinson](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, medical military service in the First World War, hospital for neuroses](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, member of the Berlin Psychoanalytic Society](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, narratives, Schloss Tegel](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, obstacles in obtaining a medical license, by Diana Atkinson](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, poor health and illness since 1943](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, Repression, Regression and Organic Disease, monograph, unpublished](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, Sanitarium Schloss Tegel, Berlin, 1920s, 1931, discourse](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, scholar, President of Psychoanalytic Study Group, 1935 -- 1943](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, scholarly biography by Dr. Brunswick](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, Scientist and Humanist, by Diana Atkinson](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, studies, research, publication in Psychoanalysis, Germany, 1900 - 1934](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, studies and professional work in Psychoanalysis, Berlin, 1908 - 1934](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, substantiation of Psychoanalytic Study Group, with regard to an Institute](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel and Dr. Will Menninger, discourse, 1937](#)
[Dr. Ernst Simmel, uneasiness of medical practicing, external factors, by Dr. Futterman](#)
[Dr. Karl Menninger and Dr. Ernst Simmel, invitation by Menninger](#)
[Dr. Samuel Futterman, reflection of Dr. Ernst Simmel medical practice, medical license, discourse](#)
[Indecent people often exploited Dr. Simmel trustfulness by Dr. Ernst Lewy](#)
[Indecent people toppled Dr. Ernst Simmel from chairmanship, by Dr. Ernst Lewy](#)
[Interview with Diana Atkinson on Dr. Ernst Simmel, 1963](#)
[Meeting between Dr. Ernst Simmel and Dr. Abraham Brill on the theme of restraining lay analysis](#)
[Mrs. Picard, secretary to Dr. Ernst Simmel, 1936 - 1940](#)
[Reference to Dr. Ernst Simmel by Dr. Hanna Fenichel](#)
[Reference to Dr. Ernst Simmel of discourse with Dr. Max Romm, by Dr. Brunswick](#)
[Reflections on scholarly and public biography of Dr. Ernst Simmel by fellow-psychoanalysts](#)
[Scholarly works of Dr. Ernst Simmel, publications](#)
[Scientific biography of Dr. Ernst Simmel, 1900 - 1947](#)
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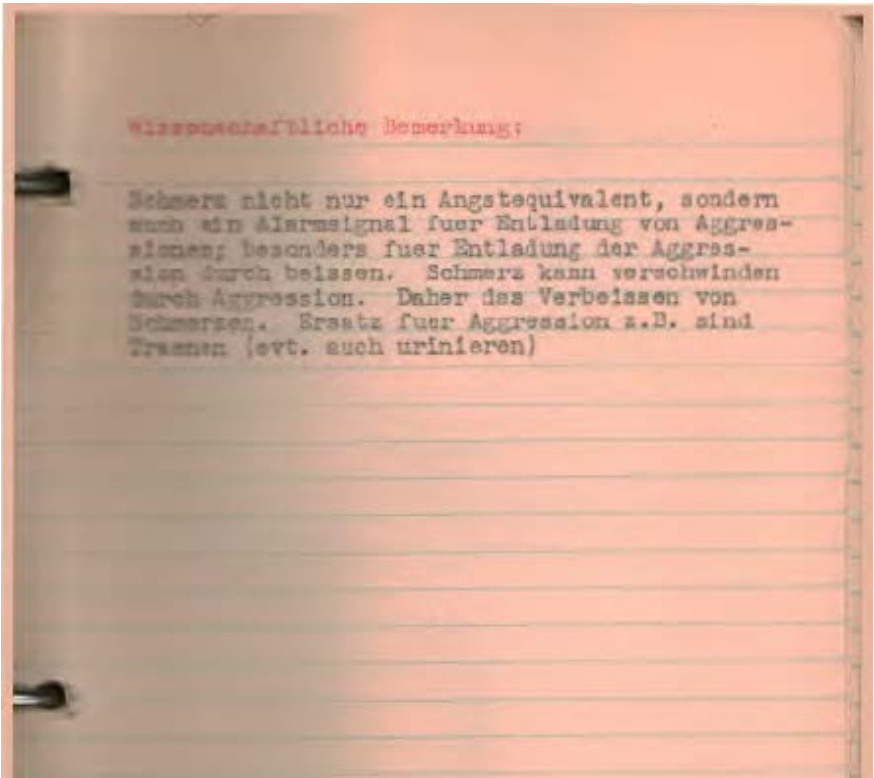
List of the corresponding to the given browsing by name, Dr. Ernst Simmel, results, page 2.

Any further search would render cross-references, while the term in question is part of a given controlled vocabulary entity, that is containing the given index term.

Additionally, if the corresponding digital content has been added, then the search would also result in finding a series of the documents in digital format, available for downloading. In other words, the NCP-LA.info Online Platform is not only the Online Archival Catalog. It is also the actual Online Archive equipped with multiple functionalities. Several of the presented below documents are the results of the search by the category, conditionally named 'Dr. Ernst Simmel.'



Dr. Ernst Simmel, Founder and President of the Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles. Photograph taken in Germany, ca mid-1920s, RG-08.37, the NCP Archival Collection



A page from the Dr. Ernst Simmel's university textbook, ca 1904, University of Berlin, RG-08.50, the NCP Archival Collection

Here is the excerpt in German, *Wissenschaftliche Bemerkung*

Schmerz nicht nur ein Angstäquivalent, sondern auch ein Alarmsignal fuer Entladung von Aggressionen...

A relatively tantamount and content-related English translation,
Scientific Remarks,

Take seriously a fear equivalent, as the alarm signal for the discharge of aggression...

The documented History of the Psychoanalytic Movement in Los Angeles begins in the early 1930s.

Here we present historical narrations of the early time, created by the History Committee for the Psychoanalytic Society in the 1960s. The members of this Committee conducted a series of recorded interviews with the former members of the Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles. These materials were also transcribed and served as a documented source for the further works of the Committee.

The narratives presented in the Collection of interviews with the former members of the Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, 1935 –1946, reflect on personal and public discourse with a special attention given to such outstanding personalities, who were, Dr. Ernst Simmel and Dr. Otto Fenichel. In addition to valuable factology, these testimonies reveal an evocative outburst of emotions and often contradicting personal opinions, largely related to the fateful Split of the Psychoanalytic Society and the Institute of Los Angeles in 1950.

Presented here documentation, in the form of personal testimonies, recollections and essays enables us to reconstruct in a possible truthful and comprehensive manner the multilayered and perplexed causations of the Split and of its Aftermath. This discourse is often entangled in personal and institutional countenance.

Although, reflections and personal opinions may differ, a broader picture, of professional and scholarly activity of the Psychoanalytic Study Group in 1935 – 1946 has been objectively and comprehensively presented.

It should be noted that the events precipitating the actual split and deposing of Dr. Ernst Simmel played a crucial role in his demise and eventually negatively affected the further integration and scholarly development of the Psychoanalytic Movement in Los Angeles.

Largely, these interviews were conducted by the committee members, namely, Dr. Kandelin, Dr. Stoller, Dr. Horowitz, Dr. Qurieff.

The testimonies, overall, embody several principal discourses, namely the chronology of the Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, its scientific progress over the time and of the outstanding role of Dr. Simmel in developing a viable psychoanalytic institution. These oral histories provide

valuable insights and render analysis on the causation and implementation of the Split, emphasizing the underlying role of the people who induced it. In this regard, the testimony of Dr. Ernst Lewy is of exemplary value, rendering conscientious and unbiased analysis.

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This Collection comprises original works of Dr. Otto Fenichel, his correspondences and related documents penned his colleagues.

The time-span relates to his pre-emigration and American periods and the aftermath, namely 1936 – 1964.

This Collection presents three sub-divisions in terms of the character of the archived documents.

To the first group we can relate writings and discourses authored by Otto Fenichel

The second group largely comprises correspondences between Otto Fenichel and his colleagues

While the third group conveys the letters and documents related to memorialization of Dr. Otto Fenichel, such as organization of Memorial Meeting for Otto Fenichel and the aftermath commemorations.

The documents of this Collections are in German and English

Otto Fenichel was born on December 2, 1897 in Vienna and died on January 22, 1946 in Los Angeles. He was and is one of the most fascinating figures of the second generation of psychoanalysts.

Otto Fenichel studied medicine in Vienna between the years 1915 – 1921. He started to attend the lectures of Sigmund Freud in 1915 and participated in meetings of the Vienna Psychoanalytic Society. He started his personal analysis with Paul Federn, and he continued his analysis in Berlin Institute with Sándor Radó after his move to Berlin in 1922. Before

Berlin, being still in Vienna, he was engaged in Jugendbewegung (youth movement) in which also other future analysts took part.

Fenichel began an analysis in Vienna with Paul Federn and continued, after moving to Berlin, with Sándor Radó. In 1926 he became a teacher at the Berlin Psychoanalytic Institute and that same year organized a seminar on child psychoanalysis, an open forum on the problems of clinical and applied psychoanalysis. He was a member of the German Psychoanalytic Society from 1926 to 1934. After 1932 some members of the seminar began discussing psychoanalytic issues from a Marxist perspective. Fenichel had to flee to Oslo, Norway, in 1933. There he became secretary of the Dansk-Norsk Psykoanalytisk Forening (Danish-Norwegian Psychoanalytical Society).

In Norway, in the spring of 1934, he continued the meetings on Marxist psychoanalysis, writing clandestine circular letters that he sent to his colleagues in exile. By 1945 he had written 119 such letters. In 1935 he moved to the Czechoslovak city of Prague, where he ran the Prager Arbeitsgemeinschaft (Prague Study Society), which was associated with the Vienna Psychoanalytic Society.

In 1930 Fenichel became a member of the German Psychoanalytical Society. After the National-Socialist regime took political power in Germany, Fenichel moved to Oslo where he helped to form the Norwegian psychoanalysis. In 1934, he started to write and send so called circular letters (Rundbriefe) to his political “small circle” of colleagues. In autumn of 1935 (September and October) he moved to Prague to take over the leadership (instead of Frances Déri who moved to Los Angeles) of a small psychoanalytic group consisting of Jewish analysts (Annie Reich, Stef Bornstein, Henry Loewensfeld) who emigrated from the Hitler’s Germany and also of some Czechs (and some others). This group had started its

work in the summer of 1933. Fenichel stayed in Prague until the beginning of May 1938, when he immigrated to the United States and settled in Los Angeles. The Los Angeles period marks his significant achievements in the Science of Psychoanalysis.

Otto Fenichel published around forty articles between *Introjektion und Kastrationkomplex* (1925) and *Neurotic Acting Out* (1945). Building on his works, and upon the research of the other psychoanalysts of his time, Otto Fenichel produced his famous encyclopedic textbook *Psychoanalytic Theory of Neurosis* (1945), which belonged for a long time to the fundamental reading text in many psychoanalytical institutions and universities.

The focus of his interest, which he shared with Siegfried Bernfeld, Wilhelm Reich, Erich Fromm, and others, lie in the development of a form of psychoanalysis that provided sociological explanations and was capable of making contributions to politics. His most important work, *The Psychoanalytic Theory of Neurosis*, appeared in 1945 and became a key source for analytic training. One of Fenichel's most important contributions to psychoanalysis, overlooked until 1998, has been his circular letters, which have shown him to be an important historiographer of the psychoanalytic movement.

Otto Fenichel, *Circular Letters*,

In the years of 1934 – 1945 a small group of politically committed psychoanalysts created a conspiratorial circular organization. In spite of long and ominous danger of persecutions as well as continuous emulation with flights the members succeeded to stay in contact with each other by means of circular letters (*Rundbrief*, 1934 – 1945). These circular letters are conceived as a kind of a written seminar. The letters reflect on the situation of Psychoanalysis in various countries. The narratives present

discussions with regard to theoretical issues and controversies as well as practical questions of survival in exile. It was Dr. Otto Fenichel who commenced and continued circulation of mutual correspondences. Well-read in the Literature originated in exile, Fenichel conveyed the view of a left-wing Freudian by the means of the circular letters. He could not for the political reasons openly demonstrated his social-democratic if not socialist agenda in the United States. The series of Circulars also reflect on the changes in Psychoanalysis as a theory and practical applications in America.

Archives perpetuate History, they allow us to see the Past under different angles, create the scientific paradigms for the Present and prognosis for the Future. We shall not forget that we constantly borrow from the achievements of the Past.

The nowadays Science of Psychoanalysis, if compared to the founding Freudian Theory and its ramification, is not in dissonance with the scientific axioms, provisions and postulates of that revolutionary time. On the contrary, the present-day Psychoanalysis has not rejected the cornerstone principles of the Psychoanalytic Revolution of the early 20th Century. The modified and innovated Psychoanalysis, equipped with the new methodological narratives, is still bound to its imperatives. The Science of the modern Psychoanalysis, thus preserving the Freudian scholarly foundation, continues to create and explore the new series of sub-theories, correlated to the evolving societal and political realities.

In May 1942, Dr. Otto Fenichel wrote a Memo to American Psychoanalytic Association,

I learned that there are great difficulties concerning the psychoanalytic institutes and training and even a danger of a split in the American Psychoanalytic Association. This meeting is supposed to try to master these difficulties. The personal difficulties might be mere reflections of more principle ones.



Dr. Otto Fenichel, 1940s

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Psychoanalytic Study Group of Los Angeles, March 1944

***The mature and healthy ego is unaware of itself while
functioning in accordance with the demands of object reality***

Dr. Ernst Simmel



Like this sorrowful Knight, we are imbued by introspection, by internalized vexation and diffident thoughts. We are hesitant, if the Time has come to externalize the vicissitudes of the enmeshed Unconscious.

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Sigmund Freud, portrait by Victor Krausz, 1936

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If the evolution of civilization has such far reaching similarity with the development of the individual and if the same methods are employed in both, would not the diagnosis be justified that many systems of civilization or epoch of it, possibly even the whole of humanity – have become “neurotic” under the pressure of civilizing trends?... But it behooves us to be very careful... In spite of all these difficulties, we may expect that one day someone will venture into the research into pathology of civilized communities.

- Sigmund Freud, 1929

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We are fortunate to have correspondences and the excerpts of psychoanalytic narratives, penned by the outstanding scholars and analysts, namely, Anna Freud, Franz Alexander, D.W. Winnicott, Hanna Segal, Wilfred Bion, Carel Van der Heide, Samuel Sperling, Samuel Futterman, Lawrence Friedman, Hanna Fenichel, James and Alix Strachey, Annie Rich, Richard Sterba, August Aichhorn and many others of prominent scholars of Psychoanalysis.

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Left to right, seated: Sigmund Freud, Sándor Ferenczi, Hans Sachs.
Standing: Otto Rank, Karl Abraham, Max Eitingon, Ernest Jones. 1922

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