

Career as a Journey of Soul

Introduction to a Depth Psychological Approach to Vocation

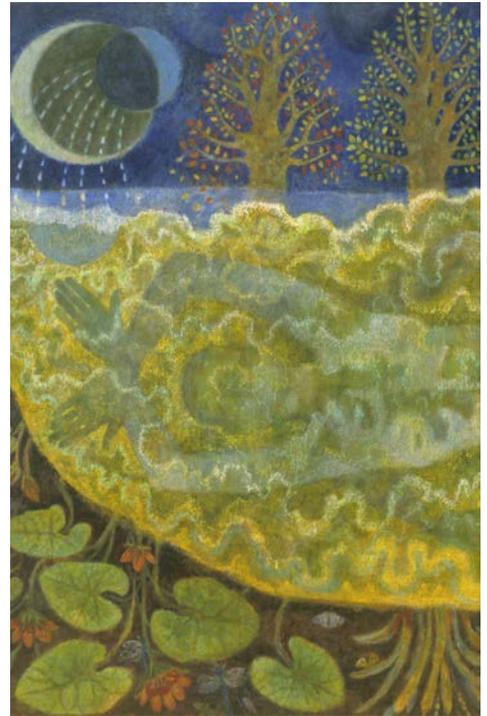
8 WEEK INTENSIVE COURSE
(online or face-to-face)

with RESIDENTIAL SEMINAR in MELBOURNE

Seminar 3 June; Winter course 15 June to 9 August 2017

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with Seminar presenter Professor David Tacey

The original meaning of vocation is to be addressed by a voice. Today the phrase 'vocational education' commonly refers to learning the skills of a particular trade. However, the true meaning of vocation derives from the Latin *vocatus*, meaning 'calling'. Archetypal psychologist Thomas Moore described vocation as 'a calling from a place that is the source of meaning and identity, the roots of which lie beyond human intention and interpretation' (1992, p. 181). Yet how do we hear this call, and how do we answer it?



"Wellspring" (2000) Alison Berry

"The first great problem in life is not to have a true calling; not to recognize the distinct pull of a true vocation. The problem is not the lack of a career, but the absence of a genuine vocation capable of provoking one's genius and inspiring one's heart."

~ Michael Meade

This course begins with orienting participants to a classic model of career development and exploring the value of the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (based on CG Jung's theory of psychological types) for career decision-making. Yet at the edges where conventional approaches to careers begin to fray, a depth psychological understanding of vocation comes into play. This values the imagination and the unconscious – the *psyche*, which is the Greek word for soul – as a source of wisdom and guidance. We will explore Jung's foundational ideas of the psyche, and mythologist Joseph Campbell's notion of the 'hero's journey'. Understand their significance for uncovering and transforming old concepts, ideals and emotional patterns that may no longer serve you. We will discuss ways by which individuals may be called, via symptoms such as depression and 'midlife crisis', beyond existing career paths into a deeper sense of vocation, and how to read and respond to these signs.

You will begin to re-imagine notions of work and calling in a framework of career inquiry and decision-making that includes collaboration with the psyche or soul.

Each week includes a lecture / presentation, selected readings, activities and discussion with personal feedback from the instructor. Each course is limited to 8-10 participants to ensure personal attention.

A reading list will be provided on registration.

See over for seminar details & information on the presenters and early-bird registration.

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Seminar **Ensouling our Work: Lessons from Ecopsychology, Spiritual & Indigenous Traditions**

3 June 2017, University College, University of Melbourne

Vocation arises by attuning to the liminal space between matter and spirit, and is lived on the edge between self and world. The discovery of a life calling may be experienced as a transpersonal event, emerging as the result of an illuminating non-ordinary or mystical experience. This may happen spontaneously, or it may be something to which we extend an invitation. This interactive and timely seminar will explore ideas from ecopsychology, spiritual and indigenous traditions, and look at what these may teach us about the nature of vocation and calling, at the individual and collective levels.

David Tacey



Professor David Tacey is a public intellectual, known in the arts, religious and psychotherapy communities. He has published 14 books and 150 articles and chapters, including *Re-Enchantment: The New Australian Spirituality*; *The Edge of the Sacred*; *Jung and the New Age*; and *Beyond Literal Belief: Religion as Metaphor*. David has specialised in the work of CG Jung, and for 20 years taught Jung's Cultural Psychology at La Trobe University. In 2000 he was invited to represent Australia at a congress on Religion and World Peace at the United Nations, New York. David's interests include the role of the spiritual in secular societies, and a lifelong interest in Aboriginal religions, indigenous health and wellbeing.

Suzanne Cremen



Dr Suzanne Cremen is the founder of the Life Artistry Centre. Having worked in over 20 occupations, from lawyer to publisher to midlife career counsellor, she understands the challenges and rewards of following an authentic calling. Suzanne's PhD research explored a depth psychological approach to vocation. She holds two Masters degrees (in Jungian and Archetypal Psychology, and Engaged Humanities and Mythology) from Pacifica Graduate Institute, California, where she is the only Australian-based faculty member, teaching a Masters course on vocation. Suzanne has presented keynotes and symposia at major international conferences, including in New York and Québec.

Will this course and seminar suit me?

If you've achieved a degree of proficiency or success at work, but are seeking a deeper sense of meaning and purpose; if you wonder about creating some new project, venture or career direction (especially one that's outside the box!); if you appreciate metaphor and imagination as modes of comprehension - then this course is designed for you! The required reading and level at which our courses are taught is designed for adults with a tertiary education (any discipline). To ensure the program is suitable for your needs, course participants are requested to complete an online application form.

SEMINAR ONLY (catering included) - \$225; conc. \$195; **early bird before 25 March \$165** (save \$60).

ONLINE COURSE + SEMINAR \$1175; conc. \$1075; **early bird before 7 April only \$990** (ie. attend the seminar FREE!). Partial scholarships may be available for applicants in need.

This 8 week course is also available FACE-TO-FACE in MELBOURNE – 8 people only – see website.

For full details and to register, visit lifeartistry.com.au

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