Need for Fantasy

(SS) GEP TuTh 8:30-9:45AM Sherman Hall 207 Karen Freiberg

This FYS will focus on critical analysis and reasoning about culture and the social sciences, and on oral and written communication. An interdisciplinary approach will feature Anthropology (social customs and beliefs), Sociology (functions of human society) and Social Psychology (behavior groups), as well as writing skills.

The reading assignments will feature "Need for Magic", a fantasy novel by Joseph Swope, Ph.D. and 3 overviews of social psychology. The chosen novel introduces human needs, motivation, impression formation, attraction, prejudice, cognitive dissonance, social approval, cult membership and other social phenomena which will be the materials for our discussions and student assigned papers.