

IPC and Sexuality

- Social learning theory
- Sexual script theory
- Erving Goffman:
 - Key Book: Presentation of Self in Everyday Life (1959)
 - Sociologist
 - Dramaturgical metaphor



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- Face to face interaction: Reciprocal influence of individuals upon one another's actions when in one another's immediate physical presence.
- Performance: Each individual's activity which influences any other participant.



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- Routine: A pre-established pattern which may be presented or played on various occasions.
- Relationship: Playing the same part to the same audience on different occasions.
- Social role: Enactment of rights and duties attached to a given status



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- Region: Any place that is bounded to some degree by barriers of perception
- Front Region: Location of a performance.
- Back Region: A location, relative to a given performance, where the performance is contradicted.



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- Manner: Relates to politeness-- standards that apply to how a performer treats an audience while in the front region.
- <u>Appearance</u>: Relates to decorum-standards that apply to how a performer controls self (visually, aurally). Includes moral standards (e.g., sacred, propriety) and instrumental (care of property).



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- Overall objective is to sustain performance and the definition of the situation that the performance fosters
- <u>Secret:</u> Controlled information potentially destructive to a given situational definition



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- Realigning actions: Actions that are unofficial and innocuous that are both in character and out.
 - Examples: Flirting, double entendres, double meanings.
- Dark secret: Facts about a team which it knows and conceals and which are incompatible with the image of self the team attempts to maintain.
- Strategic secret: Pertains to the intentions and capacities of a team which is concealed in order to prevent the audience from adapting to the state of affairs the team plans to bring about



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- <u>Inside secret</u>: Marks an insider, separates outside from inside.
- Free Secret: Someone else's secret known to self that one cannot reveal without discrediting one's own image.



Double Standard Studies

- Double standard
- Conditional double standard
- Reverse double standard
- Male "slut" or "player"