Special Issue

Links Between Psychology/Psychiatry and Religion

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue explores the intersection of religion and spirituality, and psychology/psychiatry, two fields often seen as opposing. Religion and spirituality focus on spiritual growth and the divine, while psychology/psychiatry aim to enhance mental health and life quality. Despite historical tensions, both share a focus on human relationships, individuality, and selfawareness. This issue invites scholars to explore how these disciplines can collaborate to foster human wellbeing, with psychology/psychiatry supporting spiritual growth and religion offering insights into human purpose. We seek contributions that examine how these fields can communicate and complement each other to benefit those in need. For suggested themes and article types for submissions, please visit the Special Issue homepage. We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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