

President of the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis Receives Distinguished Educator Award

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Brookline, MA. –December 1, 2008 - Today, the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis (BGSP) announced that President Dr. Dena Reed has received the Distinguished Educator Award from the International Federation for Psychoanalytic Education (IFPE) in recognition of her outstanding contribution to psychoanalytic education.

The IFPE chose to recognize Dr. Reed for this honor for her successful role in challenging traditional restrictions to psychoanalytic education. She was instrumental in gaining degree-granting status for BGSP, which offers Master's degrees as well as the Doctor of Psychoanalysis degree, making it possible for students from all walks of life to engage in psychoanalytic training. Furthermore, she has been very active in the regional accreditation process, helping to secure accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. She continues to advocate for increasing access to quality psychoanalytic education.

Dr. Reed has over fifteen years of leadership in psychoanalytic education beginning in 1992 as the Dean of Graduate Studies of BGSP, later as the Provost, and currently as the President. In addition to her role as President, Dr. Reed serves as a faculty member, training analyst, and supervising analyst. Informed by her psychoanalytic training, as well as her experience as Psychiatric Chief resident at the Tufts New England Medical Center earlier in the 1980's, Dr. Reed brings her understanding of both educational processes and unconscious dynamics to her approach to psychoanalytic education.

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The IFPE is an inclusive organization whose membership is open to anyone with an interest in the various discourses of psychoanalysis. A defining dimension of the Federation's uniqueness as an organization is its inclusiveness of diverse thinking which is evidenced in its governance structure and annual interdisciplinary conferences. More information on the Federation can be found on www.ifpe.org or call (718) 690-3867.

BGSP is the only regionally accredited, degree granting, independent psychoanalytic school in the country. Since its founding in 1973, BGSP has opened doors to psychoanalytic study to exceptional students from a wide variety of academic backgrounds. Graduates of the school apply what they have learned in clinical settings as well as in education, business, politics, and the arts. Details on the school and its program can be found on www.bgsp.edu, or call 617-277-3915 for more information.

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