An Introduction to Intersectionality

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Session 5

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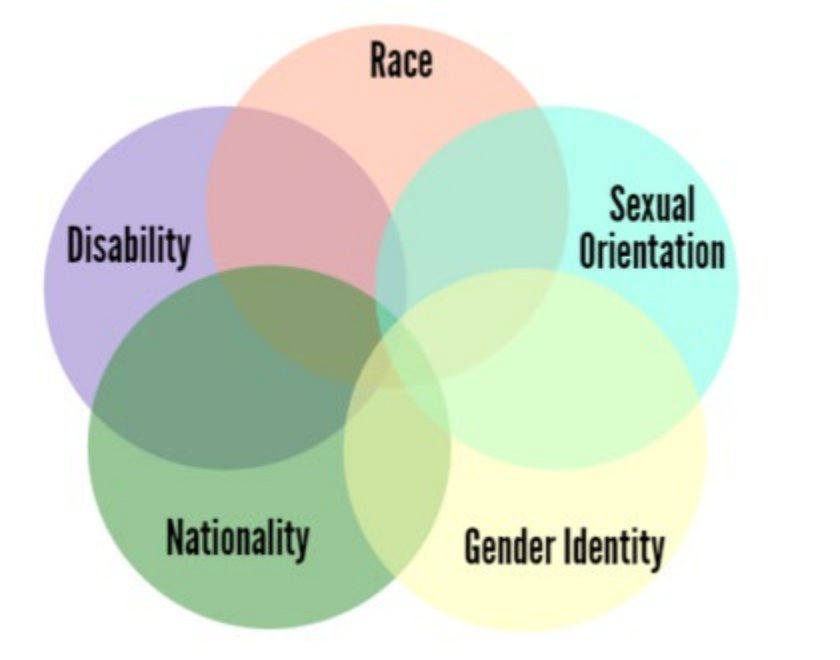
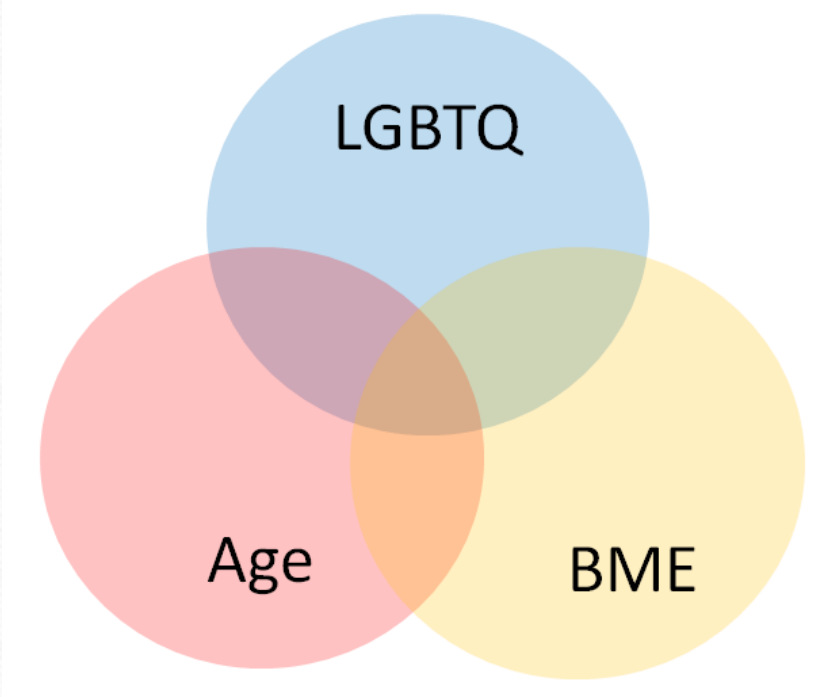
Intersectionality



(Romero, 2018)

Intersections and Commonality

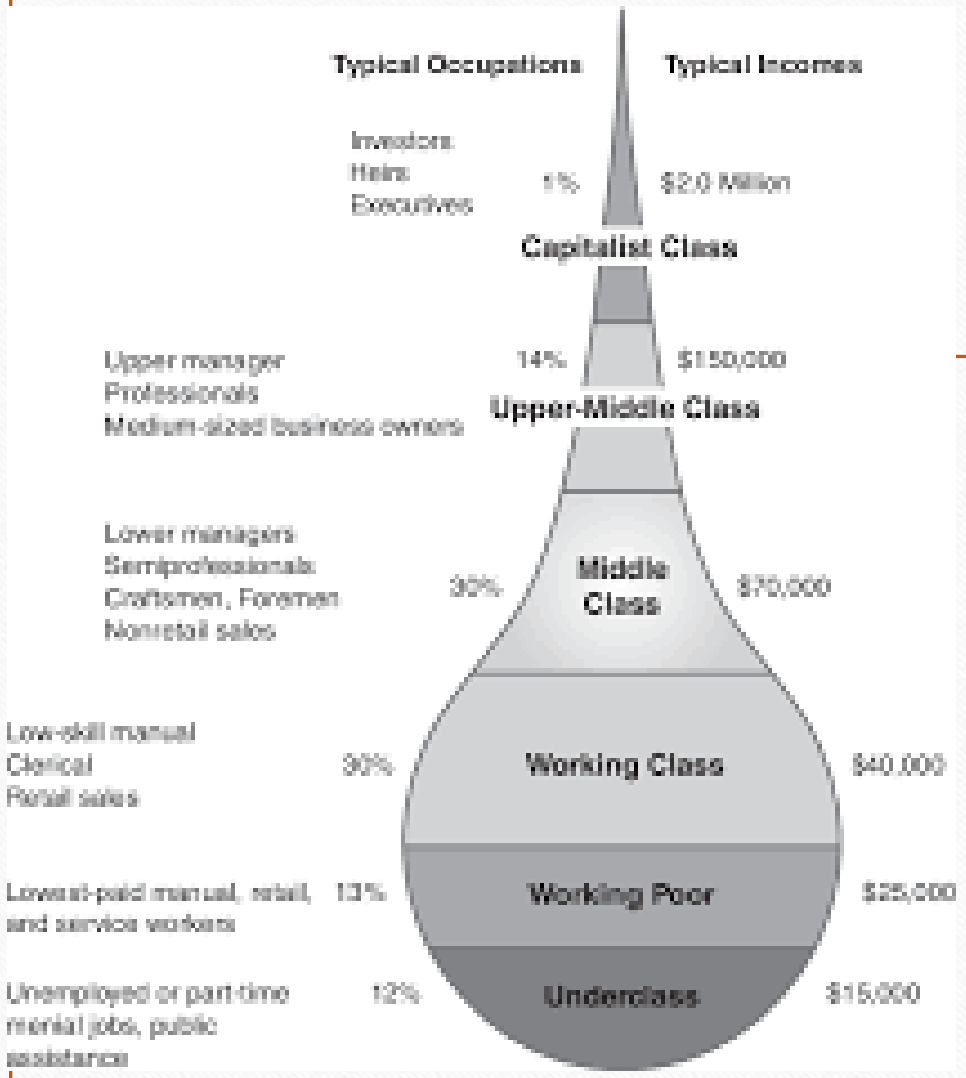


(Birgit, 1991; Romero, 2018)

Social Stratification

- Combinations of:
  - Race
  - Class
  - Sexual orientation
  - Identity
  - Wealth
  - Talent etc.

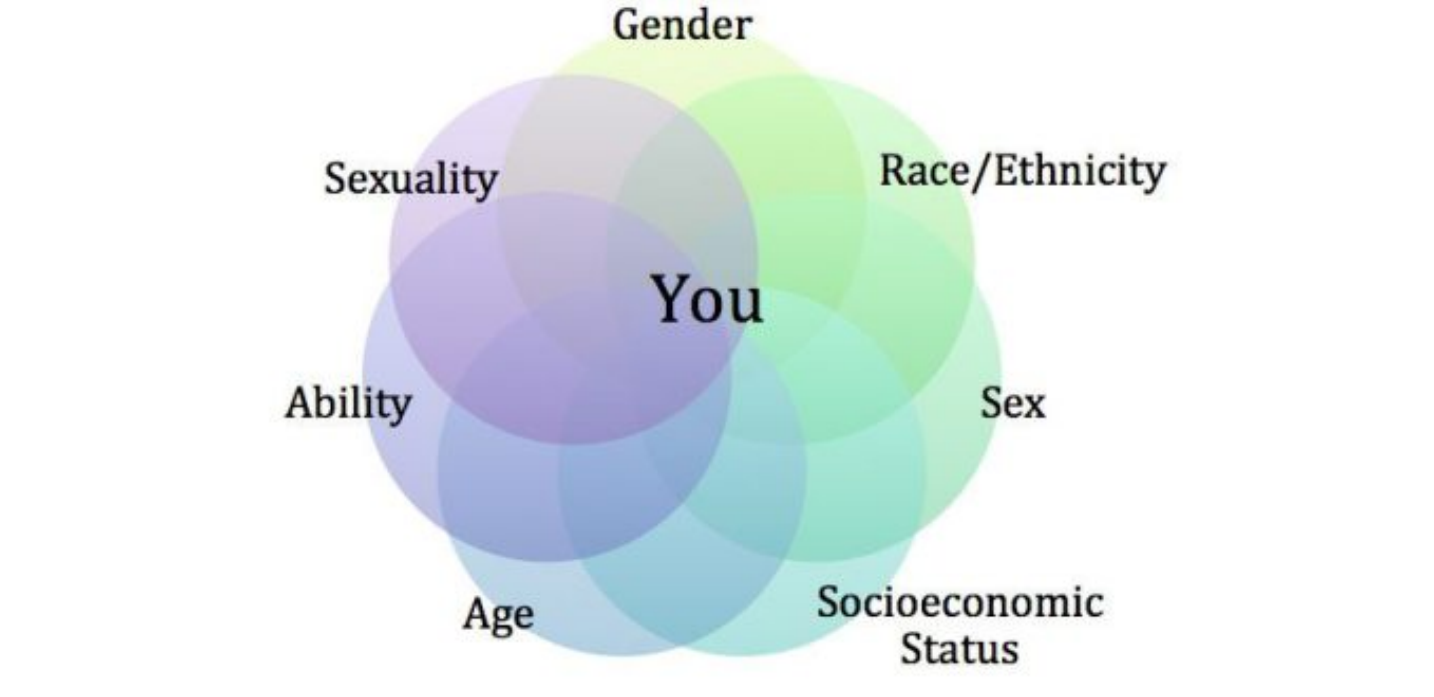
(Romero, 2018)



Gendered Stratification

- How might 'gendered stratification'
  - Affect life course potential
  - Life-choices
  - 'Others' opinions (of you)
  - Career trajectory etc.
  - (Gilbert & Kahl, 1949)
- Discussion
- What role does 'primary socialisation' play in the acceptance of identity (your identity)?

Compound Nature of Intersectionality



(Collins 2019; Hill & Bilge 2019)

Racial-Ethnic Inequality

- These separate disadvantaging factors have the potential to change life-course trajectory.
- What is the impact of multiple/intersectional labels being applicable/applied by ‘others’?
- How does this work in reality?
- What legislation might exist to counteract this effect?
- Does this legislation work?
- Is it effective?

(Freire, 1996; Bourdieu & Passeron, 2013)

Online Task:
Submit to Forum

- Consider and discuss examples of how the 'intersectionality' of inequalities might have multiple affects on an individual's life.
- Prepare bullet-point feedback to the wider groups

(Birgit, 1991; Collins 2019; Hill & Bilge 2019)

‘Define Oppression’: Undertake Online Task

- Oppression is:…

Guided Reading Suggestion also:
(Freire, 1996; Bourdieu & Passeron, 2013)

Recognised sites of Oppression

Critically explore the following concepts and ascertain if they are credible within the context of Social Reproduction of Inequalities?

- Can you name some of these?
- Distributive Injustice. ...
- Procedural Injustice. ...
- Retributive Injustice. ...
- Moral Exclusion. ...
- Cultural Imperialism.

(Bourdieu & Passeron, 2013; Freire, 1996)

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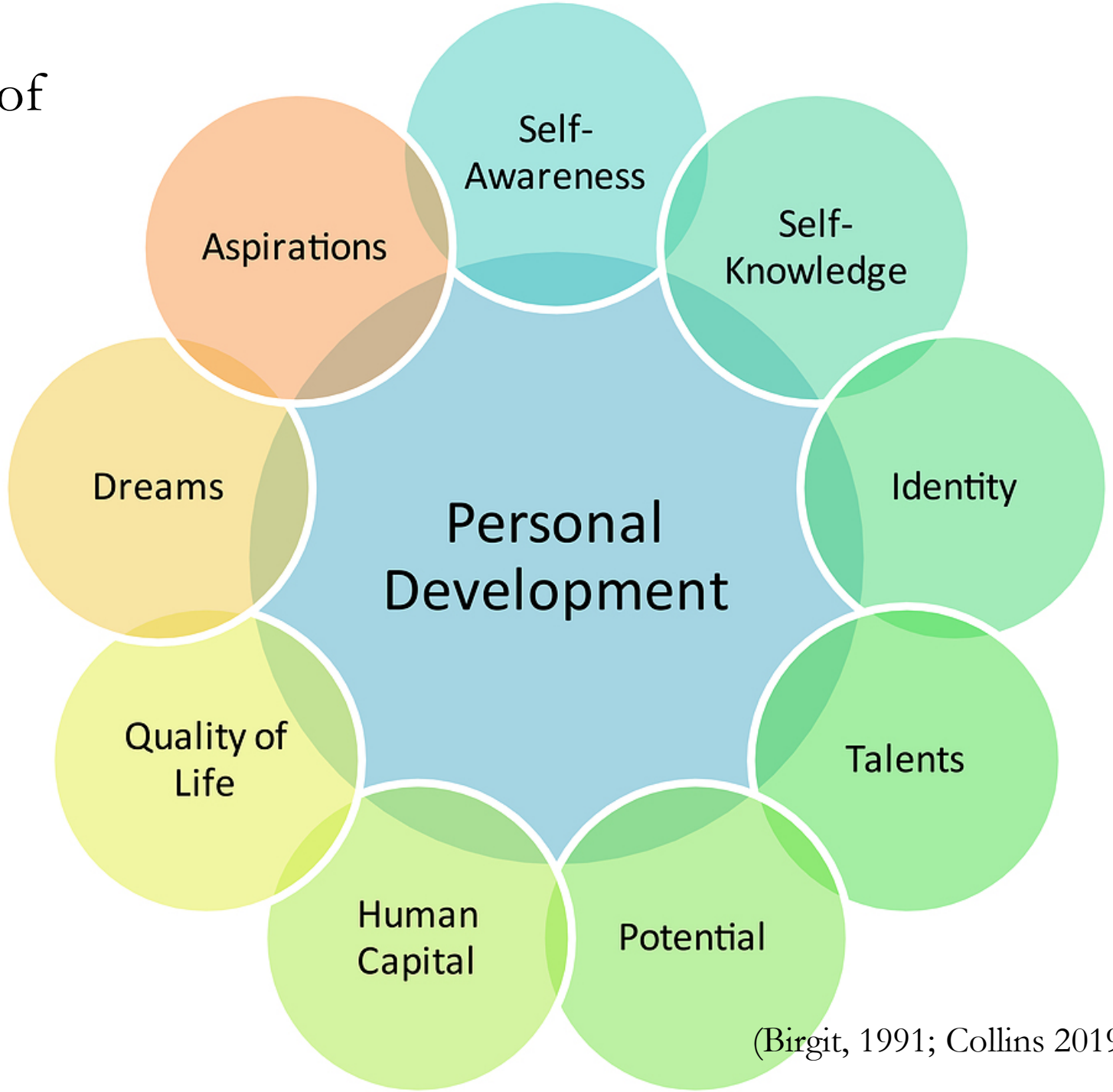

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Freire and Oppression

- Oppression is:…
- In Freire's 1969 identifies…
  - the condition of being oppressed as
  - being ruled unjustly or cruelly
  - Kept down by unjust or cruel system/government.

(Freire, 1996; Bourdieu & Passeron, 2013)

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- Example: https://www.slideshare.net/Geetha05/intersections-of-class-gender-and-race-in-fat-discrimination

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