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WILLIAM STERN'S PERSONALISTIC PERSPECTIVE OF TYPOLOGY

(Summary)

The paper presents views of W. Stern, known as the promoter of the person-centered approach in psychological typology. The research was conducted on not easily accessible works. The Stern typology offers a qualitative and characterological description of personality (person-centered research) — which concerns style of acting in the surrounding world chosen by a person from the point of view of accepted values. The paper discusses qualitative diversity of the two main approaches in the personality typologies: currently dominating, the variable-centered (traits theory) and currently postulated the person-centered theory. The latter approach takes into account specific human way of existing and acting.

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