Note: Prior to Volume 16, Number 1 (Spring 2013) the Journal of Behaviorology went by the name of Behaviorology Today, which occasionally published fully peer-reviewed articles, explicitly so labeled. Beginning with Volume 15, Number 1, in January 2012, all material receives full peer review. See the “Submission Guidelines” for details.

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Editorial
James O’Heare
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This special issue of *Journal of Behaviorology* contains syllabi for the foundational 13 courses available through The International Behaviorology Institute (TIBI).

TIBI course syllabi appear in the *Journal of Behaviorology* when previous syllabi receive substantial revisions or new courses are added. By 2007, all the revised syllabi for TIBI’s 13 online courses had appeared in issues of this journal (then called *Behaviorology Today*).

In 2015, due to the appearance of several relevant, explicitly behaviorology textbooks in the preceding few years, a project to update all of TIBI’s syllabi began, prior to adding new courses. The syllabi contained within this issue are part of that project.

A directory of current TIBI syllabi may be found at the back of the most recent issue of the *Journal of Behaviorology*.

One major change to the presentation of TIBI syllabi is the separation of parameters and guidelines for taking TIBI courses, which was published in the Fall 2015 issue of the *Journal of Behaviorology* (Volume 13, Number 2) under the title “General parameters and procedures for courses from The International Behaviorology Institute.” The course-specific content, alone, is now found in each syllabus. This allows for a major reduction in redundantly published material and a more concise, user-friendly, syllabus.

TIBI takes the unusual approach of publishing its syllabi in its journal after full peer review, as opposed to simple Board of Directors approval. This helps ensure that the syllabi have some consensus as strong behaviorology courses at this time, while also ensuring that a record of TIBI courses—regularly and carefully reconsidered with respect to content—remains publicly accessible.

Thanks are due to Bruce Hamm for serving as Action Editor for the syllabi found in this issue. With Bruce Hamm acting as Action Editor, I acted as both author and Managing Editor.

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Editor, *Journal of Behaviorology*
The International Behaviorology Institute
Syllabus for BEHG 100
Child Rearing Principles and Practices
James O’Heare

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Course Title: BEHG 100 Child Rearing Principles and Practices
Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: None
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self–paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Course Description

BEHG 100 Child Rearing Principles and Practices provides students of any age and interest (such as child care or parenting) with the scientific contributions of behaviorology that can instill or enhance the knowledge and skills for caring for (i.e., conditioning) children in effective, pro-active, non-coercive, positive, and loving ways. Behavior management related skills for application in everyday public and personal situations involving children are included.

Broadly, BEHG 100 covers the following topic areas:
- How behavior develops, that is, is conditioned;
- The application of behaviorological principles to the home environment and family life;
- Advantageous use of time in managing behavior;
- Proactive and reactive responding to, particularly adolescent, behavior;
- Questioning children about their behavior;
- Dealing with hate and anger;
- Building “self-esteem”;
- Fussy infants;
- Avoiding spanking;
- Using time–outs effectively;
- Eliminating tantrums, tattling, lying, stealing, and thumb sucking;
- Toilet training;
- Oppositional behaviors;
- Sibling rivalry;
- Strategies for parenting teenagers;
- Managing television viewing;
- Helping children achieve success in school;
- Dealing with substance abuse; and
- Strategies for severe problematic behavior when proactive strategies have failed.

Required Resources


Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:
- Describe the challenge faced by parents in the 1940s compared to subsequent times and explain why parents must now possess specific parenting skills;
- Explain why managing the consequences that behavior generates is to manage the behavior;
- Describe the four basic principles dealing with how behavior is conditioned and how these principles apply within the home and family environment;
- Describe the five basic rules of parenting and relate them to specific circumstances;
Describe the “code for parent.”

Define reactive versus proactive parental responding, and contrast and compare the common outcomes of each approach.

Analyze behavioral events in terms of the three–term contingency.

Describe how to identify effective reinforcers for individuals.

Categorize behaviors in terms of their controls, and applying the appropriate behavior management practices.

Identify the criteria for effective consequences.

Identify and describe the various ways in which the passage of time may be used adventitiously.

Explain how problematic behavior may be anticipated, and describe proactive behavior management practices.

Differentiate between effective and appropriate questioning of children about their behavior versus ineffective and inappropriate questioning.

Describe productive versus unproductive ways to deal with hate and anger.

Define self esteem in a behaviorological context and describe ways in which to promote it.

Identify common problematic infant behaviors and apply basic behaviorological principles and strategies to address them.

Describe the dangers of spanking and hence why it is inadvisable, and relate more effective alternatives.

Differentiate between ineffective time–out procedures and effective time–out procedures, including the criteria for effectiveness, and describe circumstances in which it may be applied.

Apply behaviorological principles to eliminate common problematic behaviors including tantrums, tattling, lying, stealing, and thumb–sucking.

Describe effective toilet training practices under different circumstances.

Describe how to effectively deal with children not doing as they are told.

Relate when it is appropriate to intervene in sibling rivalry and describe effective intervention strategies.

Describe common challenges of living with teenagers and how to apply elementary behaviorological principles to promote desirable behavior.

Describe how to limit television watching and use it as an effective reinforcer for desirable behaviors.

Describe and relate effective strategies and practices for promoting scholastic achievement.

Discuss the problem of substance abuse and describe effective and ineffective strategies for resolving the problem.

Describe what constitutes thus far intractable and persistent, severely problematic behavior, and describe last-ditch strategies and practices that will stand the best chance of succeeding in the long run; and

Describe effective support practices for the relationship between parents in the face of managing their child’s behavior.

Assignment Sequence & Time Management

The following checklist provides students with the sequence in which the assignments are to be completed with pacing to fit into the 15–week semester time frame. Progressing more slowly than this schedule, assignments could easily get backed up to the point where insufficient time remains to complete them in a satisfactory manner. Students may use this sample schedule to help ensure that they remain on track. We estimate that each weekly assignment load will take approximately 9–10 hours to work through, assuming it takes 150 hours to work through all of the material. Students should expect and plan to put in at least 10 hours per week and use that to gauge whether they will need more or less time in the weeks to come. Students may check the box next to each assignment as they complete and submit it.

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The International Behaviorology Institute
Syllabus for BEHG 210
Introduction to Behaviorology I

James O’Heare

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Course Title: BEHG 210 Introduction to Behaviorology I
Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: None (BEHG 110 Introduction to Behaviorology Terminology recommended if updated text available)
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources

Course Description

BEHG 210 Introduction to Behaviorology I is the first of a two-course sequence (BEHG 210 & BEHG 211) that begins to provide both majors and non-major students with an initial introduction to various interrelated components of the natural science of behavior, behaviorology. Going beyond basic terminology, these components involve the interrelations between and among the antecedent and postcedent variables controlling behavior, the range of processes involved in environment–behavior relationships, and the various components of interventions that change and expand behavior repertoires through contingency engineering. These interrelated components include relations with physiology, elaboration of basic research methods, fundamental principles and concepts, and elementary practices, as well as historical and philosophical perspectives and trends.

Broadly, BEHG 210 covers the following topic areas:

Fundamental principles include the antecedent and postcedent relations between behavior and its controlling variables (e.g., respondent and operant conditioning, evocative and function–altering stimulus controls, added and subtracted (and unconditioned and conditioned) reinforcement and punishment, plus extinction, and simple reinforcement schedules; fundamental concepts include a range of processes involved in environment–behavior relationships (e.g., emotions and feelings, stimulus and response generalization, overt and covert stimuli and responses, generalized and coincidental reinforcers, superstitious behavior, escape and avoidance, and establishing operations such as deprivation and satiation); elementary practices include various components of interventions that change and expand behavior repertoires through contingency engineering (e.g., differential reinforcement, shaping, fading, chaining, modeling and imitation, and time-out); and basic research methods include laboratory equipment, single-subject designs (ABAB and Multiple Baselines), and measurement protocols.

Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:

- Differentiate between sciences, natural sciences, and non–sciences;
- Compare philosophical perspectives on behavior, relating radical behaviorism to other approaches;
- Describe and relate fundamental principles of behavior;
- Analyze episodes of behavior in terms of the three–term contingency and relate each of the functional relations within it;
- Relate basic laboratory and practical methods and measurement systems;
- Describe behavior and postcedent behavior change procedures including reinforcement and the range of reinforcer types, plus extinction, and punishment; and
- Describe stimulus control, function–altering stimulation, and rule–governed behavior.

Assignment Sequence & Time Management

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The International Behaviorology Institute
Syllabus for BEHG 211
Introduction to Behaviorology II

James O’Heare

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Course Title: BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II
Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 210 Introduction to Behaviorology I
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self–paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources

Course Description

BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II is the second of a two–course sequence (BEHG 210 & BEHG 211) that provides both majors and non-major students with a continuing introduction to various interrelated components of the natural science of behavior, behaviorology, and represents a minimum prerequisite for all higher level behaviorology courses. The content covered, some through the repetitious expansion typical of natural–science education, includes general applications of the principles and practices of behaviorology focusing on a range of problem prevention and intervention techniques and considerations (e.g., differential reinforcement, shaping, chaining, fading, schedules of reinforcement, and problems with aversive controls) in a range of settings, along with an introduction to advanced topics such as equivalence relations, the value/rights/ethics/morals continuum, verbal behavior, consciousness, personhood, life, death, and reality.

Broadly, BEHG 211 covers the following topic areas:

- Differential reinforcement, shaping, forward and backward chaining, and fading procedures, including analysis of contingencies involved in these procedures;
- Basic schedules of reinforcement, including continuous and intermittent schedules, and among the intermittent schedules, both fixed and variable ratio, and fixed and variable interval schedules, as well as common schedule effects on behavior. Other schedules are addressed, including time–based schedules, duration schedules, and DRI/DRH schedules. Compound schedules are introduced along with other schedule considerations;
Aversive stimulation and the various problematic effects of its use in changing behavior, including a review of punitive contingencies and escape/avoidance behaviors, and an outline of the most common contingencies that result in the utilization of aversive teaching or training practices, as well as an introduction to alternative added reinforcer–based approaches to changing behavior;

Some applied behaviorological research topics, including the General Level of Reinforcement (GLR), Progressive Neural Emotional Therapy (PNET) and, to exemplify the process of developing behaviorological therapies, a comprehensive smoking cessation therapy;

Stimulus equivalence, including the three properties of equivalence relations (i.e., reflexive, symmetric, and transitive) and current and potential applications of equivalence relations, particularly in education;

As behavioral phenomena, the interrelation of values, rights, ethics, and morals, along with attitudes and beliefs, including an historical review of such notions, and the benefits of framing such phenomena in behaviorological terms;

Verbal behavior, including its history, definition, analysis characteristics, and elementary verbal operant relations, including mands, tacts, intraverbals, codics, and duplcs, as well as the teaching of language, and an introduction to some advanced topics in verbal behavior, including covert verbal behaviors like thinking;

Consciousness, including the evolution of the study of consciousness, culminating in the natural–science study as behavior, including covert respondent and operant relations, and the sequence, and chaining, of consciousness–related behaviors;

Cultural concerns of life, personhood, and death, including considerations and implications of the definition of such terms and a behaviorological treatment of the concept of dignified dying;

Reality as a behaved phenomenon (“green is a behavior”), including the implications of a natural–science perspective on reality; and

Problems facing the world, such as the sustainability of the environment, and how behavior is a major component in such problems and their potential solutions, plus the value, among all the natural sciences working to solve these problems, of the natural–science behaviorology discipline, with its demonstrably effective and efficient technology for changing behavior, so important to the continued existence of a human community on the planet Earth.

Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:

Define, contrast, and compare differential reinforcement and shaping procedures, describe circumstances in which one is more appropriate than the other, and discuss how to apply these procedures to achieve specific behavior objectives;

Define and contrast forward and backward chaining, discussing under which circumstances each is the most appropriate procedure;

Analyze and diagram behavior chains, including the conditioning process that establishes them;

Define and differentiate among the various schedules of reinforcement, including their common effects on behavior, and discuss the conditions under which each might be the most useful, as well as define some compound and more complex schedules of reinforcement utilized in research settings;

Define coercion and aversion, and describe the contingencies under which aversive procedures are utilized, and the common side effects of such procedures/practices, plus identify behavior change strategies that minimize coercive practices;
Describe the notion of General Level of Reinforcement and relate that to response depression, plus describe Progressive Neural Emotional Therapy and its application, and describe the process of developing a behaviorological therapy, perhaps using a comprehensive approach to smoking cessation as an example;

Define stimulus equivalence relations, describe its properties, and relate the procedures to potentially useful conditioning environments and objectives;

Describe the behaviorological interrelations among values, rights, ethics, and morals, plus define and relate attitudes and beliefs from a behaviorological perspective;

Define verbal behavior, including overt and covert varieties, plus relate its characteristics, and describe the elementary verbal operant relations;

Identify and relate the behaviors that make up consciousness;

Define and relate cultural concerns of life, personhood, and death (including the dignified dying movement) from a behaviorological perspective, and contrast this with various, prevalent “folk” perspectives;

Define and relate the notion of reality from three fundamentally different perspectives, describe what can and cannot be known of reality, and describe reality as a sequence of behaved events;

Relate the three kinds of evolution (i.e., biological, repertoire, and cultural) and the disciplines that study each kind;

Describe the value of applying behaviorological principles to resolving globally significant problems; and

Relate some of the difficulties students (perhaps like you) faced while successfully applying behaviorological procedures, in methodologically sound ways, to everyday problems.

### Assignment Sequence & Time Management

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Course Title: BEHG 330 Companion Animal Training
Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 210 Introduction to Behaviorology I
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources

Course Description
BEHG 330 Companion Animal Training applies behaviorology in the field of companion animal training. BEHG 330 addresses (a) successful, non–coercive animal training practices, derived from basic principles, that are used by professional animal trainers, and (b) how to teach companion animal owners how to train their companion animal. After reviewing basic principles of behavior within the context of working with non–human animals, relevant practices are differentially applied to the effective training of commonly required behaviors for four representative species: (a) dogs; (b) cats; (c) birds; and (d) horses. The application of these principles, strategies, and practices may be applied to other species of companion animal and indeed non–companion animals with minor variation.

Broadly, BEHG 330 covers the following topic areas:
- Definition and history of behaviorology, including an examination of radical behaviorism and natural science as opposed to pseudoscience and the different perspectives on behavior, including behaviorology, psychology, behavior analysis, ethology, and the medical–model approach;
- Principles of behavior, including analysis of contingencies, and operant and respondent conditioning processes;
- The problems associated with aversive conditioning practices and the use of constructional rather than eliminative approaches, including a strategy and set of guidelines for avoiding the use of aversive stimulation;
- Training strategy and training project management;
- Advanced training techniques including shaping and chaining; and
- Training practices applied to dogs, cats, birds, and horses.

Course Objectives
The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:
- Differentiate (a) between natural sciences and pseudoscience, and (b) among behaviorology, psychology, ethology, and the medical–model approach to behavior;
- Define and relate elementary terms such as behavior, antecedent and postcedent stimulation, conditioning, response, response class, response class form, functional relation, contingency, added and subtracted and conditioned and unconditioned reinforcement and punishment, plus extinction, and provide unique examples of each;
Describe how to establish and use a conditioned reinforcer;
Define, contrast, and compare operant and respondent conditioning processes, including the procedures used to achieve each, and provide unique examples;
Define the basic and compound schedules of reinforcement, including the different kinds of differential reinforcement;
Define and relate methods of transferring stimulus control via prompt fading and prompt delay procedures, and discuss generating behavior via prompts;
Define function–altering stimulation, including motivating operations;
Explain the importance of quantifying behavior, and define and relate measures of behavior, including count, rate, relative frequency, duration, and magnitude/ intensity, as well as graphing methods;
Define aversive stimulation and describe the problematic side effects it can generate, and describe strategies for avoiding the use of aversive training methods;
Formulate training plans, including identification of the behavior of concern and a quantified goal as part of a formal behavior objective, and the strategy and procedures for training it;
Describe how to use and then fade prompts, change and thin schedules of reinforcement, train for distance, duration, and distraction, carry out discrimination and generalization training, establish a cue to meet behavior objectives, and then work toward maintenance of the training;
Plan and execute advanced shaping and chaining training plans; and
Describe how to apply behaviorological principles, strategies, and procedures to training common behaviors for dogs, cats, birds, and horses.

Assignment Sequence & Time Management

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**Syllabus for BEHG 340**

**Introduction to Verbal Behavior**

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**Course Title:** BEHG 340 Introduction to Verbal Behavior  
**Credits:** 3 tibi credits  
**Prerequisites:** BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II  
**Course Format:** Distance (online and offline options)  
**Time Frame:** Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)  
**Professor:** Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

**Required Resources**


**Course Description**

BEHG 340 Introduction to Verbal Behavior builds, using a programmed instruction format, on the basic coverage of verbal behavior that was covered in BEHG 211. The course introduces students to the behaviorological analysis of language as verbal behavior. Covered topics include such fundamental concepts as (a) differentiating verbal and non-verbal behavior, (b) the verbal community, (c) mediated reinforcement, (d) the basic verbal behavior relations called mands, tacts, intraverbals, and codics and duplics (and the subtypes of these last two), (e) various extensions of these elementary verbal operants, (f) the most common variables of which verbal operants are a function, (g) some of the ways these variables combine in the multiple control of complex verbal behaviors, (h) response products, (i) point-to-point correspondence, (j) formal similarity, (k) thematic and formal controls over verbal behavior, and (l) the ways the verbal community conditions verbal responding under the control of covert stimuli.

Broadly, BEHG 340 covers the following topic areas:  
- Verbal behavior as distinguished from non-verbal behavior;  
- The conditioning of verbal behavior within a verbal community;  
- Verbal operant relations called mands, tacts, intraverbals, and codics and duplics (and subtypes of these last two) and extensions of these relations;  
- Common variables of which verbal operants are a function, the ways these variables combine in the multiple control of complex verbal behaviors; and  
- Other fundamental concepts in the analysis of verbal behavior including respondent products, point-to-point correspondence, formal similarity, thematic and formal controls over verbal behavior, and the ways the verbal community conditions verbal responding under the control of covert (“private”) stimuli.

**Course Objectives**

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:

- Differentiate between verbal and non-verbal behavior;  
- Describe the role of the verbal community in the conditioning of verbal behavior;  
- Define and differentiate among the basic verbal operant relations: mands, tacts, intraverbals, and codics and duplics (and subtypes of these last two);
Identify and define various extensions of elementary verbal operants;
Identify the most common variables of which verbal operants are a function and describe some of the ways these variables combine in the multiple control of complex verbal behaviors;
Describe the respondent products of verbal behavior;
Define point-to-point correspondence and explain how and where it applies;
Define formal similarity and explain how and where it applies;
Define, describe, and relate thematic and formal controls over verbal behavior; and
Describe, and explain the use of, several types of access that enable the verbal community to condition adequate verbal responding to stimuli that only affect the speaker (i.e., overt stimuli).

Written Assignment

Having worked through the Peterson and Ledoux text, including correctly completing all of the study frames in that book, plus the relevant supplemental study questions, the student should be prepared to consider the application of this content further. Read Chapter 20, “Language is Verbal Behavior,” in Running Out of Time… by Ledoux, which will comprise a concise review of the Peterson and Ledoux text. In this Chapter 20, Ledoux touches on a number of considerations related to verbal behavior including the teaching of language, verbal behavior and covert events, humor, non-human verbal behavior, etc. Select one of these topics as described by Ledoux (or one of your own for which you first obtain your professor’s permission) and write a ten page essay on that topic (double spaced, one–inch margins), applying to your selected topic (a) the content from the current course, (b) the content from any previous behaviorology courses and, if you run across some, (c) any relevant, independent research. The essay may review the content but then must demonstrate the application of the course content to the topic in some manner that extends consideration of that topic beyond the mentioned texts.

Assignment Sequence & Time Management

The following checklist provides students with the sequence in which the assignments are to be completed with pacing to fit into the 15–week semester time frame. Progressing more slowly than this schedule, assignments could easily get backed up to the point where insufficient time remains to complete them in a satisfactory manner. Students may use this sample schedule to help ensure that they remain on track. We estimate that each weekly assignment load will take approximately 9–10 hours to work through, assuming it takes 150 hours to work through all of the material. Students should expect and plan to put in at least 10 hours per week and use that to gauge whether they will need more or less time in the weeks to come. Students may check the box next to each assignment as they complete and submit it.

Special note: Students may either complete the coursework for the assigned page ranges of the main Peterson and Ledoux textbook at the same time as they complete the corresponding page ranges of the supplemental study Questions, or they may complete the main textbook first and then work to complete the supplemental study Questions. In the latter case, get a week or two ahead on the main Peterson and Ledoux textbook so that you have that week or two, at the end of the time frame, in which to complete the supplemental study Questions once you have completed the main textbook.

Check Week Resource Component

| 1 | An Introduction to pp. 5–9 & Verbal Behavior— pp. 1–8 of Second Edition Chapter 1 and related Supplemental Study Questions (SSQs) |
| 2 | An Introduction to pp. 9–20 Verbal Behavior— of Chapter 1 Second Edition and related SSQs |
| 3 | An Introduction to pp. 21–32 Verbal Behavior— of Chapter 2 Second Edition and related SSQs |
| 4 | An Introduction to pp. 33–42 Verbal Behavior— of Chapter 2 Second Edition and related SSQs |
| 5 | An Introduction to pp. 43–54 Verbal Behavior— of Chapter 2 Second Edition and related SSQs |
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References


The International Behaviorology Institute
Syllabus for BEHG 405
Basic Autism Intervention Methods

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Course Title: BEHG 405 Basic Autism Intervention Methods
Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources


Recommended Resources

Course Description

BEHG 405 Basic Autism Intervention Methods provides students with basic contingency engineering practices and skills needed for successful interventions with autistic and other developmentally disabled individuals. Topics include (a) the evaluation of different approaches for effectiveness, (b) effective training curricula and programs, (c) home-based and center-based settings, (d) the different roles of professionals, para-professionals, and school systems involved in autism intervention efforts, (e) the organizational and legal supports available to autistic children and their families, (f) the roles of different autism treatment team members, (g) the organizational and legal interactions between families with autistic children and their local schools, and (h) some answers to the most common questions asked by parents of autistic children. Examination of actual autism training curricula, programs, practices, data sheets, settings, and case histories are integral parts of the course.

Broadly, BEHG 405 covers the following topic areas:
· Comparative effectiveness of different approaches for working with autistic children;
· Successfully demonstrated and replicated training programs and curricula;
· The roles of professionals, para-professionals, and school systems involved in home-based and center-based autism treatment teams and intervention efforts;
· The organizational and legal supports and interactions between autistic children, their families, and their local schools; and
· Details regarding actual autism training practices, data sheets, and case histories.

Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:
Compare autism intervention approaches and strategies, and evaluate their relative effectiveness;
Analyze the range and depth of the behavior skills to be taught to children with autism by autism intervention personnel;
Apply the contingency engineering practices and skills that autism intervention personnel develop to conduct autism intervention programs in the standard settings (i.e., center-based and home-based programs) in a professional and effective way;
Compare the depth and range of the differing contingency engineering activities, roles, and qualifications of both professionals and para-professionals involved in effective autism intervention;
Analyze the benefits of the variety and sources of organizational and legal supports available for families with autistic children;
Evaluate the roles of the various professionals who are members of autism intervention teams, such as speech-language pathologists;
Interpret the organizational and legal considerations relevant to the interactions between families with autistic children and their local schools; and
Synthesize comprehensive and professional answers to the common and difficult questions asked by parents of autistic children.

Book Report

Read *Let Me Hear Your Voice* and then write a five to ten page report of this book (double spaced with one-inch margins) that focuses on the author’s search for effective help for her children. You may begin this assignment any time after completing Chapters 1 through 4 of the Maurice et al textbook. You should submit this assignment before you finish Chapter 17 of the Maurice et al book (a period of eight weeks at most).

Assignment Sequence & Time Management

The following checklist provides students with the sequence in which the assignments are to be completed with pacing to fit into the 15–week semester time frame. Progressing more slowly than this schedule, assignments could easily get backed up to the point where insufficient time remains to complete them in a satisfactory manner. Students may use this sample schedule to help ensure that they remain on track. We estimate that each weekly assignment load will take approximately 9–10 hours to work through, assuming it takes 150 hours to work through all of the material. Students should expect and plan to put in at least 10 hours per week and use that to gauge whether they will need more or less time in the weeks to come. Students may check the box next to each assignment as they complete and submit it.

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| 1          | Behavioral Intervention Chapter 1 for Young Children with Autism and related Study Questions (SQs)
            | Begin reading Clinical Practice Guideline … Quick Reference Guide …; and finish it by Week 4, and use it as a resource throughout the course to support the course content |
| 2          | Behavioral Intervention Chapter 2 for Young Children with Autism and related SQs |
| 3          | Behavioral Intervention Chapter 3 for Young Children with Autism and related SQs |
| 4          | Behavioral Intervention Chapter 4 for Young Children with Autism and related SQs Finish reading Clinical Practice Guideline … Quick Reference Guide …; and start the Book Report assignment |
| 5          | Behavioral Intervention Chapter 5 for Young Children with Autism and related SQs |
| 6          | Behavioral Intervention Chapter 6 for Young Children with Autism and related SQs |
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The International Behaviorology Institute
Syllabus for BEHG 425
Classroom Management and Preventing School Violence

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Course Title: BEHG 425 Classroom Management and Preventing School Violence
Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources


Course Description

BEHG 425 Classroom Management and Preventing School Violence covers the application of behaviorology to non-coercive classroom management skills and their relation to preventing school violence. After reviewing the role that punishment and coercion play in prompting violence of all types through all levels of society, the course focuses on the use of effective, non-coercive behaviorological skills for classroom management that school teachers and staff can personally implement—especially in the classroom, but also in the cafeteria and gym, and on the bus and playground—to reduce and prevent the occurrence of all kinds and levels of school violence while also enhancing the effectiveness of instruction. These skills replace the unscientific emphasis on coercive “discipline” practices, thereby preventing the violence that such practices may themselves induce.

Then, the course focuses on the various recommended school-wide policies and procedures for deterring the actual occurrence of school violence in situations where violence has become likely.

Broadly, BEHG 425 covers the following topic areas:

• The reasons for reducing punishment and coercion across society in general and in education specifically;
• Applications of basic laws of behavior in school settings;
• Maintaining and increasing on-task and successful behavior;
• Improving the quality of teacher to pupil interactions (and traps to avoid);
• Controlling classroom distractions;
• Instructional advantages of prevention strategies;
• The origin, dynamics, and evolution of violence in schools;
• Profiling perpetrators of school place violence; and
• Administrative procedures dealing with incipient or actual violence.

Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:
Summarize the behavior engineering analysis of the scientific foundations of coercion and punishment, especially as related to school violence; demonstrate behavior engineering in classroom management knowledge and skills especially as relevant to changing the circumstances and conditions that lead to school violence, and thereby prevent such violence; and incorporate behavior engineering in the understanding of school violence and in the policies and procedures to deter its occurrence.

**Topic Paper**

This assignment pertains to students who are in TIBI’s records as having already satisfactorily completed the *Coercion and its Fallout* text, and either its study questions or book review assignment, in another course: Start with the Keys text assignments, and continue on with the *After Columbine* text assignments, and then proceed with this written assignment: The course texts raise numerous topics that may evoke interest in the student, and the topic paper assignment provides the student an opportunity to explore one of these topics in greater depth. Get approval for your topic preference by discussing it with your professor, which also provides you the opportunity to review your thesis statement, and even outline, before you begin writing.

Prepare an essay of no fewer than ten pages and no greater than 15 pages, not including front matter and references, double spaced with one-inch margins, on the agreed upon topic. It may be argumentative or expository and should explore the issue in a depth beyond that which was presented in the course. This will require research beyond the course texts. Cite at least five sources, two of which may be the course materials and at least one of the others must be a primary source.

**Assignment Sequence & Time Management**

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After Columbine Chapters 4–6

& if Topic Paper assignment applies, then: (Research & draft)

After Columbine Chapters 7–9

& if Topic Paper assignment applies, then: (Refine for final product)

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Syllabus for BEHG 435 Performance Management and Preventing Workplace Violence

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Course Title: BEHG 435 Performance Management and Preventing Workplace Violence

Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self–paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources


Recommended Resources


Course Description

BEHG 435 Performance Management and Preventing Workplace Violence covers the application of behaviorology to non–coercive workplace management skills and their relation to preventing workplace violence. After reviewing the role that punishment and coercion play in prompting violence of all types throughout society, the course focuses on the effectiveness of the non–coercive skills that performance management applies in the full range of workplace settings to replace the unscientific emphasis on coercive management practices thereby preventing the violence such practices may themselves induce. The course also compares, applies, and evaluates various recommended policies and procedures for deterring the actual occurrence of workplace violence in various workplaces (e.g., industrial, manufacturing, organizational, marketing, financial, institutional, or retail business settings).

Broadly, BEHG 435 covers the following topic areas:

• Problems generated by coercive methods present anywhere, including in workplaces;
• Basic laws of behavior and their applications that manage performance in workplace settings while also preventing violence in the workplace; and
• Replacing coercive practices with effective, comprehensive, and systematic science–based practices for more productive and safe workplace operation.

Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:

• Summarize the scientific analysis of punishment and coercion, and its implications for contingency engineering efforts, especially as related to workplace violence;
Demonstrate the behaviorological knowledge and skills relevant to changing the circumstances that lead to workplace violence so as to prevent its occurrence;

Compare the range of best practices available to resolve problems in particular cases;

Apply appropriate strategies for similar cases in different settings;

Evaluate the outcomes of various violence-prevention methods;

Analyze the dynamics, indicators, types, and triggers of workplace violence;

Adapt or develop appropriate policies and procedures for a particular type of workplace setting;

Evaluate the effectiveness of various policies and procedures in deterring imminent workplace violence in a range of settings; and

Incorporate contingency engineering into the policies and procedures to deter the imminent occurrence of workplace violence.

**Topic Paper**

This assignment pertains to students who are in TIBI’s records as having already satisfactorily completed the Coercion and its Fallout text, and either its study questions or book review assignment, in another course: Complete the Performance Management text assignments, then proceed with this written assignment: The course texts raise numerous topics that may evoke interest in the student, and the topic paper assignment provides the student an opportunity to explore one of these topics in greater depth. Get approval for your topic preference by discussing it with your professor, which also provides you the opportunity to review your thesis statement, and even outline, before you begin writing.

Prepare an essay of no fewer than ten pages and no greater than 15 pages, not including front matter and references, double spaced with one-inch margins, on the agreed upon topic. It may be argumentative or expository and should explore the issue in a depth beyond that which was presented in the course. This will require research beyond the course texts. Cite at least five sources, two of which may be the course materials and at least one of the others must be a primary source.

**Assignment Sequence & Time Management**

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Syllabus for BEHG 455
Behaviorological Thanatology and Dignified Dying

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Course Title: BEHG 455 Behaviorological Thanatology and Dignified Dying
Credits: 3 TIBI credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources


Course Description
After reviewing the roll that punishment and coercion play in prompting violence of all types throughout society, BEHG 455 Behaviorological Thanatology and Dignified Dying focuses on the scientific knowledge and skills needed to replace some subtle, residual violence, visited on society members suffering terminal illness, with scientifically informed practices that allow retention of human dignity for all parties in these circumstances, but especially for the dying individual, during the social death, person death, and body death of the terminal–illness process. Answering the question of how we can improve end–of–life interactions between the dying and society, between the increasing numbers of the terminally ill and their survivors, between ourselves and our loved ones in these difficult times, is an integral course component, as is a range of scientifically grounded alternative, proactive, dignity maintaining practices. Which professional group (e.g., medical doctors or nurses, hospice personnel, funeral directors, and/or behaviorologists) might best organize these improvements and new practices is explored, along with some problematic medical ethics. The historical context, and social contingencies affecting new practices, are included in the consideration of how to move from old to new practices.

Broadly, BEHG 455 covers the following topic areas:
✿ The problematic outcomes of coercive practices affecting society in general and dying individuals in particular;
✿ The unaddressed side–effects of the unrecognized coercive treatment of the terminally ill;
✿ Foundations and implications of the discipline of behaviorology applied to field of thanatology;
✿ A natural science perspective on the ethics of relevant medical practices with respect to protracted dying;
✿ The implications of naturalistic philosophy and science in place of the values associated with other epistemologies;
Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:

- Analyze punishment and coercion scientifically;
- Apply the behaviorological analysis of punishment and coercion to past and current problematic cultural practices in end-of-life situations;
- Evaluate the implications of that analysis and application for successful contingency engineering of more proactive practices for end-of-life situations;
- Describe the difference between persons and bodies, and analyze the concept of person and the person/body dichotomy, explaining how the behaviorological definition of personhood impacts the topic of death;
- Analyze the implications of sudden versus slow death;
- Differentiate social death, person death, and body death;
- Describe the scientifically uninformed patterns in which the dying are currently treated by both themselves and others, and the historical context from which these patterns derive;
- Describe the role of medical professionals in end-of-life issues;
- Define values, rights, and ethics from a behaviorological (i.e., natural science) perspective;
- Analyze the ethics of managing death and dying;
- Describe the role of superstitiously conditioned cultural practices;
- Apply contingency engineering design principles to the scientific development of new, more proactive patterns that increase and maintain the dignity of the dying;
- Summarize the effects of cultural contingencies on society’s acceptance of scientifically sound practices promoting dignified dying;
- Define bereavement, analyze its aversive nature, and list and describe the bereavement processes;
- Apply contingency engineering to help survivors through the bereavement process;
- Explain the myth of personal responsibility; and
- Describe economic realities and the cultural practices of welfare.

Summary Written Assignment

Sidman’s *Coercion and its Fallout* addresses the problematic effects of aversive stimulation and coercion in general. Consider the content of Sidman’s book as applied to the topics in the primary (Fraley) text, in anticipation of this assignment. (If you are on TiBi’s records as having already covered Sidman’s book, then complete both this Summary Written assignment and the Topic Paper assignment described in the next section.)

Prepare an essay of no fewer than five pages and no greater than ten pages, not including front matter and references, double spaced with one-inch margins. In your paper relate, to the content of the Sidman text, an important-to-you aspect of current law, policy, and cultural attitudes and practices with respect to end-of-life issues, particularly as these relate to coercive treatment of those dying or “wishing” (i.e., under contingencies) to die, and to their loved ones. Then, to that, relate a summary discussion of the differing perspective that natural science provides and the changes that could be made that would result in a greater respect for liberty and dignity, and mitigation of the behavioral fallout resulting from coercive practices.

Topic Paper

This assignment pertains to students who are in TiBi’s records as having already satisfactorily completed the *Coercion and its Fallout* text, and either its study questions or book review assignment, in another course:
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(Research & draft)
- **13** |  Dignified Dying and related SQs  |  Chapters 7–9 (& if Topic Paper assignment applies, then:  
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The International Behaviorology Institute
Syllabus for BEHG 465
Behaviorological Rehabilitation

James O’Heare

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Course Title: BEHG 465 Behaviorological Rehabilitation

Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources


Course Description

BEHG 465 Behaviorological Rehabilitation provides students with the application of behaviorological considerations to help improve human interactions and success rates in institutional rehabilitation settings such as prisons. After reviewing the problems generated by the, sometimes unnecessary, coercion that too often informs many practices in such settings, the course examines the value of replacing the unscientific emphasis on coercive practices with effective, comprehensive, and systematic science-based practices for more successful rehabilitation of both adult and youth offenders. The course takes a data-based orientation to the general design and management of correctional institutions, and the training and professionalism of staff in those settings, as an integral course component.

Broadly, BEHG 465 covers the following topic areas:

❖ The problematic outcomes of coercive practices affecting society in general and penal rehabilitation in particular;
❖ Foundations and implications of the discipline of behaviorology applied to field of rehabilitation;
❖ Application of basic laws of behavior to practices utilized in rehabilitation institutional settings, and the outcomes thereof; and
❖ Replacing unscientific and coercive practices with comprehensive, effective and systematic science-based practices in youth and adult rehabilitation settings.

Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:
Analyze punishment and coercion scientifically;
Apply the behaviorological analysis of punishment and coercion to past and current problematic cultural practices in penal rehabilitation settings;
Evaluate the implications of that analysis and application for successful contingency engineering of more proactive practices in penal rehabilitation settings;
Summarize the contingency engineering analysis of the scientific basis of violence and rehabilitative failure in rehabilitation settings, and the implications of that analysis for successful contingency engineering efforts in those settings;
Incorporate behavior engineering design and practices into client/offender rehabilitation settings for youth;
Incorporate behavior engineering design and practices into client/offender rehabilitation settings for adults; and
Summarize the behavior engineering analysis of the relevant legal contingencies in rehabilitation settings.

Summary Written Assignment

Sidman’s Coercion and its Fallout addresses the problematic effects of aversive stimulation and coercion in general. Consider the content of Sidman’s book as applied to the topics in the both of the other texts as you work through them in anticipation of this assignment. (If you are on TIBI’s records as having already covered Sidman’s book, then complete both this Summary Written assignment and the Topic Paper assignment described in the next section.) The repertoire that the primary texts and study questions will have conditioned provides a solid foundation on which to consider, in more depth, the applications of behaviorological principles and practices to adult and youth penal rehabilitation settings.

Prepare an essay of no fewer than five pages and no greater than ten pages, not including front matter and references, double spaced with one–inch margins. In your paper relate, to the content of the Sidman text, an important–to–you aspect of current law, policy, and cultural attitudes and practices with respect to applying behaviorological principles and practices to adult or youth penal rehabilitation programs or settings. Then, to that, relate a summary discussion of the differing perspective that natural science provides and some of the changes that could be made that should result in a greater rehabilitation success.

Topic Paper

This assignment pertains only to students who are in TIBI’s records as having already satisfactorily completed the Coercion and its Fallout text, and either its study questions or book review assignment, in another course: Complete the assignments for the New Learning Environment text and the Behaviorological Rehabilitation… text, as well as preparation for the Summary Written Assignment, and then proceed with this Topic Paper assignment: The course texts raise numerous topics that may evoke interest in the student, and the topic paper assignment provides the student an opportunity to explore one of these topics in greater depth. Get approval for your topic preference by discussing it with your professor, which also provides you the opportunity to review your thesis statement, and even outline, before you begin writing.

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The International Behaviorology Institute
Syllabus for BEHG 512
Advanced Behaviorology I

James O’Heare

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Course Title: BEHG 512 Advanced Behaviorology I
Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 211 Introduction to Behaviorology II
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:

- Differentiate between sciences, natural sciences, and non–sciences, and compare philosophical perspectives on behavior, relating radical behaviorism to other approaches;
- Classify behavior, including the two most fundamentally distinct functional classes of behavior—operant or respondent;
- Define explanatory fictions and analytical fallacies, particularly the difficulties that these pose to explaining behavior, and explain how to avoid these traps when explaining behavior;
- Define and differentiate among different measures of behavior, including counts, rates, relative frequencies, durations, extensities, and magnitudes;
- Describe the goals and structure of behavior change projects;
- Apply graphing methods;
- Interpret graphic representations of behavior–related data;
- Analyze and describe antecedent and postcedent behavior change processes;

Course Description

BEHG 512 Advanced Behaviorology I is the first course of a two-course sequence (BEHG 512 & BEHG 513) covering, in detail, the variables of which the behavior of humans and other animals is a function, as discovered from the natural science perspective and with emphasis on increasingly complex human behavior. Included is not only a range of pertinent and accessible environment–behavior functional relations, but also the naturalistic philosophical foundations of the behaviorology discipline (i.e., the natural science and technology of environment–behavior relations) as well as the research methodology involved in discovering the independent variables in these relations and engineering them into sophisticated applications and interventions beneficial to humanity and other animals.

Broadly, BEHG 512 covers the following topic areas:

- Classifying behavior;
- Avoiding explanatory fictions and analytical fallacies;
- Experimentally manipulating independent variables of behavior;
- Measuring, recording, graphing, and interpreting behavior–related data; and
- Turning the experimentation–based prediction and control of behavior into beneficial behavior engineering practices emphasizing antecedent and postcedent control processes.

Required Resources

Analyze episodes of behavior in terms multi–term contingencies of reinforcement; Analyze and define function–altering stimulation and differentiate it from evocative stimulation, the other major class of antecedent stimulation; Define stimulus equivalence, including the various kinds of equivalence relations, and describe potential applications particularly in teaching; Define basic and compound schedules of added reinforcement, describe the schedule effects that they generate and identify appropriate uses; Examine adjunctive behavior, as differentiated from other behavior, including how it intrudes in episodes of behavior as a schedule effect, and describe how to control for it; and Analyze aversive stimulation, describe aversive controls of behavior, and identify less problematic alternatives to it.

Assignment Sequence & Time Management

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Special Note. Some weeks contain one chapter and some contain two. An effort was made to distribute whole chapters among the full weeks. In weeks with one chapter, consider trying to finish a day or two earlier, and in weeks with two chapters, you may need to go a day or two over, but if you keep generally on this schedule, you will be on track to finish on time. The last three weeks include one chapter each in case you require some time for catch up work.

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Course Title: BEHG 513 Advanced Behaviorology II
Credits: 3 TIBI credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 512 Advanced Behaviorology I
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources

Recommended Resources

Course Description
BEHG 513 Advanced Behaviorology II is the second course of a two-course sequence (BEHG 512 & BEHG 513) covering, in detail, more of the variables of which the behavior of humans and other animals is a function, as discovered from the natural science perspective and with emphasis on increasingly complex human behavior. Included is not only more of the range of pertinent and accessible environment–behavior functional relations, but also more of the naturalistic philosophical foundations of the behaviorology discipline as well as the research methodology involved in discovering the independent variables in these relations and engineering them into sophisticated applications and interventions beneficial to humanity and other animals.

Broadly, BEHG 513 covers the following topic areas:
★ Gradual change in both stimuli and responses;
★ Some complex cases including values, rights, ethics, and morals;
★ Verbal behavior and consciousness;
★ Personhood and culture;
★ Application of behaviorological principles to reality as a behaved phenomenon; and
★ Intellectual evolution (biological and cultural).
Course Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:

- Define and differentiate among antecedent behavior–controlling relations and behavior change processes;
- Describe research strategies and methodologies utilized with behaviorology and describe and differentiate among the various within–subject experimental designs;
- Define behavior objective and describe the importance of clarity, accessibility, and the quantification of behavior and fluency;
- Define shaping and describe the procedure and how it is applied to produce new response class forms;
- Define and describe fading procedures and processes;
- Define and describe values, rights, ethics, morals, and their interrelations, along with attitudes and beliefs, as completely natural behavioral phenomena, and analyze related sociocultural implications;
- Define verbal behavior and analyze elementary verbal operant relations such as mands, tacts, and autoclitics, and explain consciousness in terms of covert verbal behavior;
- Apply principles and strategies of natural science to questions about consciousness, personhood, life processes and culture, including the implications of superstitious behavior within verbal communities;
- Describe reality from a natural science orientation as a behaved phenomenon and contrast and compare traditional and robotic perspectives and the internal versus external environment issue; and
- Explore the natural science of behavior as applied to various topics of intellectual evolution, both biological, technological and cultural, including potential future advancements for humanity when a natural science approach becomes as embraced as the other three basic natural sciences (physics, chemistry, and biology).

Written Assignment

This course will expose the student to a number of advanced topics in natural science, and in particular, the natural science of behavior. By the time students have completed their coursework through the primary textbook and its study questions, they will have been introduced to topics that invariably prompt the student’s further interest–related behaviors. This written assignment will provide students the opportunity to expand their repertoire with respect to a topic of interest raised within the coursework.

The student will prepare a paper in which they explore their selected topic (after receiving approval for the topic from the professor). They will take their coverage of the topic, either in depth or in application, beyond that which was covered in the course itself. The student may generate an explicative or argumentative essay. It should explore the topic beyond the depth with which the topic was presented in the coursework or apply it in a unique way. This may require conducting further independent research (literature searches) or analysis, or theoretical work and argumentation. Discussing your general strategy or approach to your approved topic with your professor will ensure that you avoid pursuing a path that later experience would show to be untenable.

The paper should be ten to 20 pages, double spaced with one–inch margins, not including references and any front matter pages, or figures, tables, and diagrams. This paper should follow all appropriate guidelines for graduate level papers, including being consistent with the formatting, style, and usage guidelines followed in the Journal of Behaviorology. It should include a minimum of eight reference citations, three of which must be to primary sources.

Although three weeks is allocated within the time management recommendations below, students are urged to consider their choice of topics throughout their coursework and take notes or collect materials on topics of early interest.

Assignment Sequence & Time Management

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Syllabus for BEHG 541
Advanced Verbal Behavior
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Course Title: BEHG 541 Advanced Verbal Behavior
Credits: 3 tibi credits
Prerequisites: BEHG 340 Introduction to Verbal Behavior
Course Format: Distance (online and offline options)
Time Frame: Commences upon enrollment. Self-paced within specified limits (estimated 150 hours; 3–15 weeks)
Professor: Assigned upon enrollment, with contact information

Required Resources

Course Description
BEHG 541 Advanced Verbal Behavior, based on the principles and practices of the natural science of behavior, takes students through the full range and depth of verbal behavior analysis especially as presented by B. F. Skinner in his original book on the topic. It also takes the student through the most notable critique of Skinner’s work on verbal behavior and through the most notable response to that critique, providing the student with a comprehensive exposure to the topic of verbal behavior, studied from a natural science perspective. With the textbook featuring extensive examples, applications to literature concerns, and detailed explanations of exceptions, ambiguities, controversies, and implications (all with further comprehensive sets of examples) this course covers five areas:
★ The functional analysis of verbal behavior (including the unit of verbal behavior, vocal behavior, the listener, and the verbal episode);
★ Basic variables controlling verbal behavior (including the audience relation and those that produce the elementary verbal operants of mands, tacts, etc.);
★ Multiple variables controlling verbal behavior (including multiple audiences, contingencies, stimuli, formal and thematic variables, supplementary stimulation, fragments, and blends);
★ The manipulation of verbal behavior (including autoclities, grammar, syntax, and composition); and
★ The production of verbal behavior (including self-editing, scientific and logical verbal behavior, and thinking).

Course Objectives
The primary objective of this course is to expand the student’s repertoire of behavior measurably in relevant areas of behaviorological course content. The student will:
★ Compare the behaviorological perspective on behavior with the traditional perspective;
★ Define verbal behavior and describe the scope of verbal behavior beyond simply vocal behavior;
★ Define and differentiate among the elementary verbal operant relations;
Analyze contingencies involving simple and complex verbal behaviors;
Define abstractions;
Explain the problems of “meaning” and “referents”;
Differentiate between overt and covert (i.e., “private”) behavior and explain how covert verbal behavior functions as verbal behavior;
Discuss the role of the audience in verbal behavior including the speaker acting also as the audience;
Define and differentiate between the six types of verbal operant relations;
Discuss dynamic properties in operant verbal relations;
Explain the role of emotional behaviors and other motivating operations in verbal operant relations;
Describe the multiple causation of verbal behavior and analyze these complexities;
Explain supplementary stimulation in complex behavioral episodes;
Define and relate “understanding”;
Explain fragmentary and distorted verbal responses in terms of operant processes including the multiple causation of the behavior and recombination;
Analyze grammar and syntax as autoclitic processes;
Describe composition and self–editing behaviors and their effects;
Discuss instruction and knowledge in terms of the conditioning of verbal operant relations;
Discuss logical and scientific verbal behaviors; and
Define and discuss thinking as verbal behavior.

Written Assignment

The student will previously have covered the verbal behavior chapter (Chapter 20) of Ledoux, 2014, as well as all of Peterson and Ledoux, 2014. The student may also have already covered the verbal behavior chapter (Chapter 26) of Fraley, 2008. Now, having studied Skinner’s Verbal Behavior in depth, and having then read Chomsky’s critique and MacCorquodale’s reply, the student is well prepared, with careful consideration of their “debate,” to evaluate the relative merits of these two reviews.

Write an essay, summarizing and evaluating the relative merits of the differing positions of those two review authors. The paper should be no fewer than five pages and no more than ten pages, double spaced with one–inch margins, not including any front matter pages or references. This paper should follow all appropriate guidelines for graduate level papers, including being consistent with the formatting, style, and usage guidelines followed in the Journal of Behaviorology (e.g., see the “submission” Guidelines in any recent issue).

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