Syllabus PSY 3630 Everyday Behavior Analysis

Course Information

Course title:

Introduction to Everyday Behavior Analysis

Course

PSYC 3630-995

number:

Course

Psychology

discipline:

Course description. The purpose of the course is to teach you how to apply behavior analysis to solve human problems. It uses a programmed learning textbook in which students take practice guizzes on each of the 25 chapters. Grades are based

on 4 exams.

Prerequisite(s): PSYC 1010 Introductory Psychology recommended

Course Goals

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You will learn four broad strategies for applying behavior analysis to human

problems. These consist of defining and measuring behavior, using

reinforcement, using stimulus control, and the problems with using aversive

control

Instructor Information

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B.A., Trinity College, Hartford CT, Psychology, 1966; M.S, Florida State University, Psychology, 1969, Ph.D., Florida State University, Psychobiology,

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Fields of Interest. Function of auditory cortex, Comparative study of hearing, Tinnitus, Behavior analysis, Mental retardation, Ethics of animal research.

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Textbook

Required

Principles of Everyday Behavior Analysis, Thompson/Wadsworth

reading:

Publishing Co., 4th, 0-534-59994-X

Policies

Additional information Attendance consists of taking quizzes and exams on time. These policies and procedures will be followed as closely as possible, but are subject to change.

Course Requirements

Requirements. Your grade for the course is based on four exams. The exams will be fill-in

and short answer

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The grading scale cutoffs are: 90% & above = A, 88% = A-, 86% = B+, 80% = B, 78% = B-, 76% = C+, 70% = C, 68% = C-, 66% = D+, 60% = D, 57% = D-, >57% = F.
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Quizzes

Chapter Quizzes are provided for practice for each Lesson and do not count towards your grade. (These are the quizzes in the back of your textbook.) You should use the quizzes to check yourself after reading a chapter. They are there for you to check your mastery of the chapter -- the exams will use different questions

The quizzes are machine-scored so spelling errors are counted as wrong answers. Also, there may be an alternative correct answer that is not listed. Do not panic if the computer scores an answer on a quiz wrong when it is really correct.

Please let me know if you feel a question needs fixing because it is unclear, there is another alternative answer, or the question is just plain wrong—errors do sometimes occur

Exams

There are four exams, each covering a Unit in the textbook--note that the exams are cumulative. Each exam has 25 questions

Exams are taken on your computer.

Academic Honesty. You may not receive help from anyone while taking an exam. Students are expected to adhere to the University of Toledo's policy on honesty, which can be found at http://www.dl.utoledo/HTML/academic dishonesty htm

Scoring Exams. I hand-grade the exams and may give partial or full credit for alternative answers and for answers that have minor spelling errors

Missed exams. Contact the Instructor as soon as possible. Students may be asked to take supervised exams with no book or notes in the Psychology Computer Lab (UH Room 5000) or in the Test Center.

Main Campus Testing Center website. http://www.utoledo.edu/utlc/testing_centers/MCtestcenter.html

Final Exam

Because the Exams are cumulative, there is no need for a Final Exam

Contact me if you have ANY questions

I am here to help so contact me with your questions. I can be e-mailed through the Blackboard system, or by phone (see above for the numbers).

Course Evaluation

As with all UT courses, students will be able to fill out a course evaluation, which is anonymous. The Instructor may post the results of the evaluation, including the comments.