

PSYC 3750W - ST: Applied behavior Analysis

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Course Description

Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) is a scientific approach to understanding and improving human behavior. It involves using techniques and principals derived from behavioral psychology to bring about meaningful changes in behavior. ABA focuses on applying interventions based on the principles of learning theory to promote desired behaviors and reduce unwanted ones.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Applied Behavior Analysis 3rd Edition	John O. Cooper, Timothy E. Heron, & William L. Heward	ISBN-13: 978-0-13-475255-6

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	CH 1	Definition and Characteristics of Applied Behavior Analysis	Quiz 1 Discussion Post 1 Due 08/30/26 at 11:59pm Homework 1 Assigned
8/31	CH 2	Basic Concepts and Principles	Quiz 2 Discussion Post 2 Due 09/06/26 at 11:59pm
9/7	CH 3 CH 4 CH 5	Selecting and Defining Target Behaviors Measuring Behavior Improving and Assessing the Quality of Behavioral Measurement	Quiz 3 Discussion Post 3 Due 09/13/26 at 11:59pm
9/14	CH 6 CH 7	Constructing and Interpreting Graphic Displays of Behavioral Data Analyzing Behavior Change: Basic Assumptions and Strategies	Quiz 4 Discussion Post 4 Due 09/20/26 at 11:59pm



9/21	CH 8 CH 9 CH 10	Reversal and Multielement Designs Multiple Baseline and Changing Criterion Designs Planning and Evaluating Applied Behavior Analysis Research	Quiz 5 Discussion Post 5 Due 09/27/26 at 11:59pm Exam 1 opens 09/25/26
9/28	CH 11 CH 12	Positive Reinforcement Negative Reinforcement	Quiz 6 Discussion Post 6 Due 10/4/26 at 11:59pm Exam 1 Due 10/04/26 at 11:59pm
10/5	CH 13	Schedules of Reinforcement	Quiz 7 Discussion Post 7 Due 10/11/26 at 11:59pm Homework 1 Due 10/11/26 at 11:59pm
10/12	CH 14 CH 15	Positive Punishment Negative Punishment	Quiz 8 Discussion Post 8 Due 10/18/26 at 11:59pm
10/19	CH 16 CH 17	Motivating Operations Stimulus Control	Quiz 9 Discussion Post 9 Due 10/25/26 at 11:59pm Homework 2 Assigned
10/26	CH 18	Verbal Behavior	Quiz 10 Discussion Post 10 Due 11/01/26 at 11:59pm
11/2	CH 19 CH 20	Equivalence-based Instruction Engineering Emergent Learning with Nonequivalence Relations	Quiz 11 Discussion Post 11 Due 11/08/26 at 11:59pm Exam 2 Opens 11/6/26
11/9	CH 21 CH 22 CH 23	Imitation, Modeling, and Observational Learning Shaping Chaining	Quiz 12 Discussion Post 12 Due 11/15/26 at 11:59pm Exam 2 Due 11/13/26
11/16	CH 24 CH 25 CH 26	Extinction Differential Reinforcement Antecedent Interventions	Quiz 13 Discussion Post 13 Due 11/22/26 at 11:59pm Homework Assignment 2 Due 11/22/26 at 11:59pm
11/23	CH 27 CH 28	Functional Behavior Assessment Token Economy, Group Contingencies, and Contingency Contracting	Quiz 14 Discussion Post 14 Due 11/22/26 at 11:59pm
11/30	CH 29	Self-Management	Quiz 15 Discussion Post 15 Due 11/29/26 at 11:59pm
12/7	Final		Final Due 12/08/26 at 11:59pm

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