

CPSY Principles of Behavior – Spring 2009

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Course Text:

Miltenberger, R. G., (2008). Behavior Modification: Principles and Procedures 4th Ed.
Brooks/Cole Publishing Company.

Course Description:

This course is designed to teach basic behavioral principles and general procedures used to change human behavior. Completing the course requirements should set a foundation for students who want to learn more about applied behavior analysis and perhaps take additional courses and attend graduate school. Objectives include the following:

1. Identify basic principles and procedures of behavior modification.
2. Identify examples of how behavioral principles operate in everyday life.
3. Describe procedures for assessing, recording, and graphing behavior.
4. Describe basic behavioral research designs.
5. Describe typical behavior therapy treatments with common clinical problems.
6. Discuss ethical issues related to use of behavior modification.
7. Describe major historical developments in behavior analysis.
8. Discuss professional organizations and career opportunities in behavior analysis.

Tests: There are a total of 8 tests for the class. Each test consists of True False and/or Multiple Choice questions. It is suggested that you complete the study guide questions in the book to help prepare for the test.

The tests are “on-line” and must be taken at the Center for Continuing Studies or a designated testing location.

The tests are available during certain time periods (look under quizzes in d2l for the dates and times) listed on the syllabus. There are no exceptions! You must make arrangements with your test proctor to complete the tests on time, if you miss the deadline a score of 0 will be entered. Make sure you check with your proctor as to times and days for availability. You are responsible for your testing situation.

To take the test you go to the testing site, open d2l and click on the quiz you are to take. Your test proctor will enter a password (sent from the Center for Continuing Studies to your proctor). You must fill out the Monitor request form,

<http://www.stcloudstate.edu/continuingstudies/distance/documents/MonitorRequest.pdf>

If you are taking your exams at the Center for Continuing Studies, you can schedule a time by going to https://www5.stcloudstate.edu/ProctorTests/LoginS_Request.asp .

You must complete the exam within the designated time allotment (60 minutes).

If there is a technical problem with the test, save all of your answers, and do not panic. Have your proctor contact the instructor or the Center for Continuing Studies and we will work it out.

If you miss an exam, a score of 0 will be entered and you may take the optional comprehensive final exam to replace that score. All students may take the optional final and the score will replace your lowest score for any test. The optional final will not hurt your grade, i.e. if it is the lowest score it will be dropped.

Test Feedback: If you would like to go over your exam results, it is necessary to call me. I do not post feedback via an email.

Grading:

Final course grades will be based upon the total points during the semester. Grades will be determined and distributed by the following criteria:

A= 90-100%

B=80-89%

C=70-79%

D=60-69%

F=59% and below

There is no extra credit available. Please be careful, if you miss a test a score of 0 will be posted.

On Line students who are going to take the exams at the Center for Continuing Studies.

Exams are available at the Center for Continuing Studies. Our office hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 PM. You should contact the Center for Continuing Studies at least 24 hours in advance to schedule your exam. You may contact CCS by phone (320) 308-3081 or schedule online by going to https://www5.stcloudstate.edu/ProctorTests/LoginS_Request.asp . If you do not schedule in advance you may not be able to get in. Check the times and days the Center for Continuing Studies is open.

When you come to take the exams you will be required to show a picture ID, either your driver's license or your student ID. You will not be allowed to take anything with you when you take the exams. All coats, purses, backpacks, and cell phones must be placed in a locker in the testing center.

On Line Students who are going to take the exams at a Designated Testing site.

If you are unable to come to the SCSU campus during testing hours you need to complete the Monitor Request Form:

<http://www.stcloudstate.edu/continuingstudies/distance/documents/MonitorRequest.pdf> Please fill this form out immediately as it takes time to process.

The form must be filled out completely. Make sure you list all of the courses you need exams for. You must have the Monitor sign the form or it will not be accepted. Remember to check your HuskyNet e-mail account for information on your proctor.

If you live outside the state of Minnesota or you do not live near a MnSCU testing facility, you must find a University, Community or Technical College near you.

Test Schedule - CPSY 330 – Spring 2009

Week	Chapter #	Topic	Test on chapters:	Test Due by 5:00 pm
1	1	Introduction		
2	2	Observing and recording	1, 2 Test 1	1/21-23
3	3	Graphing and research designs		
4	4	Reinforcement	3, 4 Test 2	2/4-6
5	5, 6	Extinction, Punishment		
6	14	Applying Extinction	5, 6, 14 Test 3	2/18-20
7	7,9	Stimulus Control Shaping		
8	11,10	Prompting Chaining	7,9,10,11 Test 4	3/4-6
9	13,15	Functional Assessment Differential Reinforcement		
10	16	Antecedent Control	13,15,16 Test 5	3/25-27
11	12,17,18	Behavioral Skills Time out		
12		Response Cost Positive Punish	12,17,18 Test 6	4/8-10
13	19,20,23	Promoting Generalization Self Management		
14		Behavioral Contracts	19,20,23 Test 7	4/22-24
15	21,24,25	Cognitive behavior modification Habit Reversal Fear and Anxiety	21,24,25 Test 8	4/29-5/1
		Optional Final	Optional Final	5/6-8

Student Responsibilities

This is a distance based course where you are expected to read the syllabus and meet all requirements. By taking this course you agree to the following:

1. It is your responsibility to make arrangements for testing and proctors. This is done through the Center for Continuing Studies and if you are away from campus you must send your test proctor form in immediately.

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2. It is your responsibility to complete the tests within the designated time period. If you miss a test a score of 0 will be entered.

3. You are aware of the dates and times the tests are available.

4. You are aware of your proctor/test center hours of operation.

5. You are aware there are no incompletes or extensions.

6. You are aware of the drop and withdraw dates as listed on the SCSU Registration Calendar.

7. You have read the syllabus and understand all course requirements.

Please note, the faculty have full time teaching assignments and additional responsibilities such as internship supervision, research, university assignments, and other duties. As such we are not available every day of the week. If you have a quick question, it is best to send an email. If you do not hear back in a timely fashion, please feel free to call. If you have a question that requires further discussion, please call.