

SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS & TECHNOLOGY

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO

COURSE OUTLINE

Course Title: BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT
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CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

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PHILOSOPHY/GOALS:

A study of learning principles and motivation with emphasis on principle of operant behaviour* Behaviour modification techniques and programming methodologies will be studied in relation to their application for assisting persons with retarded behaviours to gain maximum independence. Behavioural technology, counselling and program formats will be studied within a human frame of reference keeping in mind ethical considerations,

COURSE GOALS;

Upon completion of the course the student will demonstrate the following

- 1) The ability to identify behaviour in operational terms.
- 2) Demonstrate and apply several methods of observing behaviour.
- 3) Write out several program formats outlining the techniques and procedure to be used in behaviour modification and task analysis and the ability apply the above techniques and procedures.
- 4) Demonstrate several methods of recording data and apply this knowledge practicum.
- 5) Understand the concepts and principles of classical and operant conditioning and the ability to apply these principles to the work environment.
- 6) Implement training and task programs effectively.
- 7) Give a written description of their procedure and results, including an evaluation of the effectiveness of the program and any recommendations for program change, which might improve the program effectiveness.
- 8) Have a clear understanding of "Standards for the Use of Behavioural Modifications and Related Behavioural Procedures in Facilities for the Mentally Retarded".

TEXTBOOK(S):

Required Text: Behaviour Modification; What It Is and How to Use It
Authors: Martin, Pear, 2nd Edition

Opitonal Text: Behaviour Principles in Everyday Life
Author: J,D. Baldwin

Additional A/V or films (depending on availability) will be used in conjunction with the above text.

Students will be expected to engage in role playing in order to facilitate learning. Demonstrations will also be carried out in the work environment while on field placements*

EVALUATION:

Students will be expected to be in attendance and act as a participant in classroom and field work areas. Students will be graded as follows;

1) Class attendance and participation	10%
2) Quizzes (bi-weekly) - average	20%
3) One Behaviour Modification and one Task Analysis Program	20%
4) Mid-Term	25%
5) Final Exam	25%
TOTAL	100%

N.B. Students maintaining a grade of 85% or over will be exempt from writing the final exam. Students with a grade of 40% or less at mid-term will receive an automatic "R" grade and will be required to repeat the entire course.

SYLLABUS:

- WEEK 1 : Introduction
 Operant and Classical Conditioning
 Defining Behavior
 Data Collection Review

- WEEK II: Data Collection Review
 Baselining Techniques
 Graphing

- WEEK III: Reinforcement Review
 Extinction Review
 Schedules of Reinforcements

- WEEK IV: Shaping Review
 Task Analysis
 Chaining (Reverse and Forward)

- WEEK V: Fading Techniques
 Graduated Guidance
 Paired Associate Learning

- WEEK VI: Program Format
 Behavioural vs. Task Oriented

- WEEK VII: Mid-Term Exam

- WEEK VIII: Punishment
 Time Out Procedures
 Response Cost

- WEEK IX: Overcorrection
 Positive Practice vs. Restitutorial

- WEEK X: Stimulus Control
 Stimulus Discrimination

- WEEK XI: Stimulus Generalization

- WEEK XII: Token Economy

- WEEK XIII Desensitization Techniques (Biofeedback)

- WEEK XIV: Behaviour Modification Ethical Issues

- WEEK XV: Review

- WEEK XVI: Final Exam