



**College of Education and Human Development
Division of Special Education and disAbility Research**

Spring 2017

EDSE 621 636: Applied Behavior Analysis: Empirical Bases

CRN: 21158, 3 – Credits

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Note: This syllabus may change according to class needs. Teacher Candidates/Students will be advised of any changes immediately through George Mason e-mail and/or through Blackboard.

Course Description

Focuses on basic content of applied behavior analysis. Teaches how to implement behavioral procedures and develop behavioral programs for clients with fundamental behavioral needs. Prerequisite(s): B- or higher in EDSE 619 must be completed prior to or concurrently with EDSE 621.

Prerequisite(s) enforced by registration system.

Corequisite(s): EDSE 619

Schedule Type: LEC

Hours of Lecture or Seminar per week: 3

Hours of Lab or Studio per week: 0

Prerequisite(s): EDSE 619

Co-requisite(s): EDSE 619

Advising Contact Information

Please make sure that you are being advised on a regular basis as to your status and progress through your program. Mason M.Ed. and Certificate teacher candidates/students should contact the Special Education Advising Office at (703) 993-3670 for assistance. All other teacher candidates/students should refer to their faculty advisor.

Advising Tip

Have you met with an advisor? All students should make an appointment to meet with an advisor to outline a plan for completing coursework and non-course requirements such as testing. To make an appointment by phone or in person, go to <http://gse.gmu.edu/special-education/advising/>.

Course Delivery Method

Learning activities include the following:

1. Class lecture and discussion
2. Weekly Application activities
3. Small group activities and assignments
4. Video and other media supports
5. Research and presentation activities
6. Electronic supplements and activities via Blackboard

Learner Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, teacher candidates/students will be able to:

1. Describe philosophical assumptions underlying data-based decision making in applied behavior analysis.
2. Define, describe, identify, exemplify, and use direct measures of behavior.
3. Define, describe, identify, exemplify, and use indirect measures of behavior.
4. Construct and interpret equal interval graphs.
5. Construct and interpret standard celeration charts.
6. Describe, identify, and exemplify single subject experimental design.
7. Describe and exemplify data-based decision making using visual inspection of graphically presented behavioral data in the context of single subject experimental designs.
8. Describe and identify utility and factors affecting use of single subject designs for evaluating instructional, behavioral, and other interventions in applied settings.
9. Describe, identify, and exemplify ethical factors regarding data collection, data management, and data based decision making as described by the Guidelines for Responsible Conduct and the Disciplinary Standards.
10. Read, interpret, and evaluate articles from the behavior analytic literature.

Course Relationship to Program Goals and Professional Organizations

This course is part of the George Mason University, Graduate School of Education (GSE), Special Education Program for Applied Behavior Analysis Graduate Certificate. The content of the courses in this program is derived from the Task List published by the national Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB) as well as the Professional and Ethical Compliance Code for Behavior Analysts. The Professional and Ethical Compliance Code for Behavior Analysts is listed on the following website: <http://bacb.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/160321-compliance-code-english.pdf>. For more information on the Board and the examination, please visit the Board's website at www.bacb.com.

Required Textbooks

Cooper, J.O., Heron, T.E., & Heward, W.L. (2007). *Applied behavior analysis for teachers (2nd Ed.)*. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Merrill Prentice Hall. ISBN 0-13-142113-1

Jacobson, J.W., Foxx, R.M., & Mulick, J.A. (2015). *Controversial therapies for developmental disabilities: Fad, fashion, and science in professional practice (2nd Ed.)*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates. ISBN 978-1138802230.

It is imperative you purchase the second edition, NOT the first. There are substantial changes to the book.

Recommended Textbooks

American Psychological Association. (2010). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (6th ed.). Washington, DC: Author.

Required Resources

Students should have access to reliable internet and basic learning technologies such as a scanner, printer, and the ability to send and receive audio and video. Webcams are required for this course.

Additional Readings

Readings may be assigned by the instructor throughout the semester and will be posted to Blackboard. Students are responsible for ALL readings.

Course Performance Evaluation

Students are expected to submit all assignments on time in the manner outlined by the instructor (e.g., Blackboard, Tk20, hard copy).

Tk20 Performance-Based Assessment Submission Requirement

It is critical for the special education program to collect data on how our students are meeting accreditation standards. Every teacher candidate/student registered for an EDSE course with a required Performance-based Assessment (PBA) is required to upload the PBA to Tk20 (regardless of whether a course is an elective, a one-time course or part of an undergraduate minor). A PBA is a specific assignment, presentation, or project that best demonstrates one or more CEC, InTASC or other standard connected to the course. A PBA is evaluated in two ways. The first is for a grade, based on the instructor's grading rubric. The second is for program accreditation purposes. Your instructor will provide directions as to how to upload the PBA to Tk20.

For EDSE 621, the required PBA is Make Your Own Experiment and Final Exam Feedback. Failure to submit the assignment to Tk20 will result in reporting the course grade as Incomplete (IN). Teacher candidates/students have until five days prior to the University-stated grade change deadline to upload the required PBA in order to change the course grade. When the PBA is uploaded, the teacher candidate/student is required to notify the instructor so that the "IN" can be changed to a grade. If the required PBA is not uploaded five days prior to the University-stated grade change deadline and, therefore, the grade not changed, it will

become an F. Please check to verify your ability to upload items to Tk20 before the PBA due date.

Assignments

Performance-based Assessment (Tk20 submission required)

Make your own experiment

Given two hypothetical scenarios (one basic, one applied), you will define, describe, and exemplify the use of data-based decision making in a single subject research design. As you identify, measure, and assess behaviors, you will incorporate ethical and professional guidelines outlined by the BACB. The components of the assignment are listed in the evaluation rubric. Drafts of components of this assignment will be due on Google docs throughout the semester and will be revisable up to the full points. ***The final submission must be in Word and one Continuous Document (55 Points for Each Assignment).***

Final Exam Feedback Form

A final exam will be given to test knowledge of measurement, assessment, and experimental design concepts. Each test item is correlated to the BACB Task List to help the student identify strengths and weaknesses in empirical methods. The instructor will provide written feedback on students' correct and incorrect response. Upload the final exam feedback form onto Blackboard. **(100 Points)**

College Wide Common Assessment (Tk20 submission required)

No common Assignment for this Course

Performance-based Common Assignments (No Tk20 submission required.)

Partner Activities

This assignment will allow you to have hands-on access to the reading materials, as well as discussion. Each week, you will be given an activity that will extend your knowledge of the readings. This will consist of a study sheet. While you may choose to complete parts of the assignment independently, the goal is for you to work with a partner to discuss the readings and complete the study guide together. You will be responsible for completing a study guide relating to the readings and any class activity. This guide will consist of both factual and open-ended questions. Your study guides will be the basis for your unit quizzes and final exam. **(5 points per assignment).**

Unit Quizzes

This course is broken into four units. For each unit, students will be responsible for a 20 item Multiple Choice quiz. Quizzes will be delivered online through Blackboard. Questions will be randomized from a pool of questions. It is not possible to memorize answers to increase your grade. Students are encouraged to complete guided lecture notes, all activities and readings, and actively participate in study groups, as these are the basis for the weekly quizzes. Quizzes will be the basis for the final exam. Due dates for quizzes are available on the Google Calendar. **(20 Points per Quiz).** An additional quiz

on academic honesty and syllabus requirements will be administered at the beginning of the semester and is worth **20 points**.

Weekly Discussion Boards

Students will be divided into groups. Each week, a writing prompt will be developed for your group based upon readings, coursework, and field experiences. Discussion Board prompts will be open-ended enough that there will be room for discussion.

You are responsible for posting a response that answers the writing prompt as it relates to your experience in clinical and educational settings, the readings, class discussion, and your own personal experience. You must also leave a comment on the post of *at least* one of your group members. Any questions posted on your thread should be answered. Comments should build upon the blogger's ideas, and connect to other ideas we have explored in class. Posts and responses **MUST** stay in the group assigned, unless arrangements are made with the instructor. Once the discussion board is graded, the student may not edit or add to the post to increase their grade.

A schedule of writing prompts and due dates will be posted in Google Calendar (NOTE THAT DUE DATES DO NOT NECESSARILY CORRESPOND TO CLASS MEETINGS TO INSURE THAT THERE IS ENOUGH TIME TO FOSTER CONVERSATION). *No student or school personnel should be referred to by name.* When posting or commenting, it is important to stay on-topic, and to treat other individuals in the class with respect. Flames or other derogatory conversation will not be tolerated, and may result in a 0 for the poster. Discussion boards will not be graded after one week past the due date unless arrangements are made with the instructor in advance. **(15 Points)**

Other Assignments

CITI Training

You will be responsible for completing the basic human subjects research modules recommended for anyone conducting research at GMU. These modules are available through <https://www.citiprogram.org/>. Please be sure to take the Social and Behavioral Science Research Basic course. Registering for the wrong course will not count towards this class and may result in significant time lost **(30 Points)**.

Course Policies and Expectations

Attendance/Participation

Due to the interactive nature of the course, students are expected to log in at least three times per week and coordinate with their partner to complete assignments. It is the student's responsibility to make up all missed work if they are absent for any reason. Students must log in to synchronous sessions and stay until dismissed by the instructor. **SYNCHRONOUS SESSION ATTENDANCE CANNOT BE MADE UP.**

Students are responsible for following these guidelines for grading:

- All students are required to create a Google Account and send the address to the instructor within one week of the first class meeting.
- All assignments must be submitted through Blackboard, with the exception of drafts and Partner Assignments submitted through Google docs.
- Emailed and hard copies of assignments **will not be graded** unless approved in advance by the instructor, as these methods of submission lead to a high probability of lost student work.
- Assignments, whenever possible, should be in Word format and in one continuous file (with the exception of those submitted through Google docs).
- Your Make Your Own Experiment and Research Outlines must be accompanied by a self-evaluation of your work. You can self evaluate by grading yourself using the rubric for the assignment. You do not have to justify your choice. The instructor will not track down missing self evaluations. Any assignment without a self evaluation submitted with it will be immediately assigned a grade of 0.
- Detailed information about each assignment, including grading rubrics and a task analysis, is posted on Blackboard. Due dates for all assignments are available through Google calendar. Failure to review all documents available often results in low performance.

Late Work

Work is considered on-time if it is submitted by **11:59pm** on the date that it is due. Work submitted after the assigned due date will be assessed a 10% possible point penalty. Discussion Board Item responses entered after the due date will be assessed a 50% point penalty. *No Discussion Board revisions will be accepted once a grade has been submitted for the week. No work will be accepted after the final examination has been submitted.*

Grading Scale

Point values are assigned to exams and assignments. Letter grades will subsequently be assigned on the basis of overall class performance. That is, percentages will be determined by dividing the TOTAL number of points earned by the total possible points.

Note: The George Mason University Honor Code will be strictly enforced. Students are responsible for reading and understanding the Code. “To promote a stronger sense of mutual responsibility, respect, trust, and fairness among all members of the George Mason University community and with the desire for greater academic and personal achievement, we, the student members of the university community, have set forth this honor code: **Student members of the George Mason University community pledge not to cheat, plagiarize, steal, or lie in matters related to academic work.**” Work submitted must be your own or with proper citations (see <http://oai.gmu.edu/the-mason-honor-code/>).

Grading Criterion:

| Grade | Percentage | Grade | Percentage | Grade | Percentage |
|-------|------------|-------|---------------|-------|------------|
| A+ | 97-100% | A | 96-93% | A- | 92-90% |
| B+ | 87-89% | B | 83-86% | B- | 80-82% |
| C | 77-79% | F | 76% and Below | | |

| Assignment | Points |
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| Make your own experiment Applied | 55 |
| Make your own experiment Basic | 55 |
| Academic Honesty and Syllabus Quiz | 20 |
| Unit Quizzes (4 at 20 points apiece) | 80 |
| Final Exam | 100 |
| Partner Assignments (10 at 5 points apiece) | 130 |
| Discussion Boards (10 at 15 points apiece) | 195 |
| CITI Training | 30 |
| Total Points | 665 |

Professional Dispositions

Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times.

Core Values Commitment

The College of Education and Human Development is committed to collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles: <http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/>

GMU Policies and Resources for Students

Policies

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the Mason Honor Code (see <http://oai.gmu.edu/the-mason-honor-code/>).
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing (see <http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/>).
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their Mason email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university, college, school, and program will be sent to students **solely** through their Mason email account.
- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services. Approved accommodations will begin at the time the written letter from Disability Services is received by the instructor (see <http://ods.gmu.edu/>).

- Students must follow the university policy stating that all sound emitting devices shall be silenced during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.

Campus Resources

- Support for submission of assignments to Tk20 should be directed to tk20help@gmu.edu or <https://cehd.gmu.edu/api/tk20>. Questions or concerns regarding use of Blackboard should be directed to <http://coursesupport.gmu.edu/>.
- The George Mason University Writing Center staff provides a variety of resources and services (e.g., tutoring, workshops, writing guides, handbooks) intended to support students as they work to construct and share knowledge through writing (see <http://writingcenter.gmu.edu/>).
- The George Mason University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) staff consists of professional counseling and clinical psychologists, social workers, and counselors who offer a wide range of services (e.g., individual and group counseling, workshops and outreach programs) to enhance students' personal experience and academic performance (see <http://caps.gmu.edu/>).
- The George Mason University Office of Student Support staff helps students negotiate life situations by connecting them with appropriate campus and off-campus resources. Students in need of these services may contact the office by phone (703-993-5376). Concerned students, faculty and staff may also make a referral to express concern for the safety or well-being of a Mason student or the community by going to <http://studentsupport.gmu.edu/>, and the OSS staff will follow up with the student.

For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, please visit our website <https://cehd.gmu.edu/>.

Class Schedule

Note: Faculty reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary, with notification to students.

Changes made to this class schedule will be made on the Google Calendar. Students are encouraged to consult the Google calendar at least weekly and not rely on instructor reminders.

| Week | Date | Topic | Readings | Assignments |
|------|------------|--|----------|--|
| 1 | 1/9 (S) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Class • APA Style and Summing Sources • Evidence-Based Practices | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-test Due |

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| 2 | 1/17 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Ethics • Research Basics | Cooper, Ch. 7 Foxx, Ch. 1-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 1 • Activity 1 • CITI Training Due • Syllabus and Academic Honesty Quiz Due |
| 3 | 1/23 (S) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defining Behavior • Sampling | Cooper, Ch. 3 Foxx, Ch. 4-6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 2 • Activity 2 • Quiz 1 • Informed Consent Form for Make your Own Experiment Due |
| 4 | 1/30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous Measurement | Cooper, Ch. 4 Foxx, Ch. 8-10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 3 • Activity 3 • Operational Definitions for Make your Own Experiment Due |
| 5 | 2/6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discontinuous Measurement • Choice | Foxx, Ch. 11-12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 4 • Activity 4 • |
| 6 | 2/13 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treatment Integrity • Inter-observer agreement | Cooper, Ch. 5 Cooper, Ch. 10 Foxx, Ch 13-14 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 5 • Activity 5 |
| 7 | 2/20 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal Interval Graphing | Cooper, Ch. 6 Foxx, Ch. 15-17 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 6 • Activity 6 • Data collection for Make your Own Experiment Due • Quiz 2 |
| 8 | 2/27 (S) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celeration and Scatterplot | Foxx, Ch 18-20 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 7 • Activity 7 |
| 9 | 3/6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing an Experiment • Withdrawal Design | Cooper, Ch. 8 Foxx, Ch 21-22 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 8 • Activity 8 • Quiz 3 |
| 10 | 3/13 (S) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple Baseline/Multiple Probe | Cooper, Ch. 9 Foxx, Ch. 23-24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 9 • Activity 9 • Quiz 3 |
| 11 | 3/20 (S) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternating Treatments • Component and Parametric Analyses | Review Cooper, Ch. 8 Foxx, Ch. 25, 28 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DB 10 • Activity 10 • Quiz 4 • Methods for Make Your Own Experiment Due |

| Week | Date | Topic | Readings | Assignments |
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| 12 | 3/27 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work on Make Your Own Experiment | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make your Own Experiment Final Exam |

- (S) = Synchronous Session. Option of 10-11am or 6-7pm
- DB = Discussion Board. Posts due on Monday at Midnight; Responses due by Friday at Midnight.
- Activities are due by Friday of the week posted by Midnight
- Quizzes and Final Exam are due on the date posted on the Google Calendar

Assessment Rubric(s)

Assessment #5 EDSE 621—Make Your Own Experiment Project

This rubric will be used to assess the TK20 assignment and should not be used by students to evaluate progress.

| Task List Items | 1 Does Not Meet Expectations | 2 Meets Expectations | 3 Exceeds Expectations |
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| Measurement – Applied Research | <p>Given a scenario describing a behavioral need in an applied setting, the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Defines the behavior, including any relevant private events, in behavior-analytic (non-mentalistic) terms. Selects one measure for the behavior of interest, and does four or fewer of the following for that measure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gives a clinically sound rationale for the measure chosen that addresses dimensions of the behavior and logistics of observing and recording. Develops a behavioral data recording form. Writes step by step instructions for collecting the data | <p>Given a scenario describing a behavioral need in an applied setting, the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Defines the behavior, including any relevant private events, in behavior-analytic (non-mentalistic) terms. Selects one measure for the behavior of interest, and does each of the following for that measure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gives a clinically sound rationale for the measure chosen that addresses dimensions of the behavior and logistics of observing and recording. Develops a behavioral data recording form. Writes step by step instructions for collecting the data | <p>Given a scenario describing a behavioral need in an applied setting, the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Defines the behavior, including any relevant private events, in behavior-analytic (non-mentalistic) terms. Selects two or more measures for the behavior of interest, and does each of the following for that measure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gives a clinically sound rationale for the measure chosen that addresses dimensions of behavior and logistics of observing and recording. Develops a behavioral data recording form. Writes step by step instructions for |

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| | <p>(including the schedule of observation and recording periods).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prepares a graph potential behavioral data using either an equal interval graph, cumulative record, or a standard behavior chart. ○ Measures from which the student chooses are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Count ▪ Rate ▪ Duration ▪ Latency ▪ IRT ▪ Percentage ▪ Trials to Criterion | <p>(including the schedule of observation and recording periods).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prepares a graph potential behavioral data using either an equal interval graph, cumulative record, or a standard behavior chart. ○ Measures from which the student chooses are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Count ▪ Rate ▪ Duration ▪ Latency ▪ IRT ▪ Percentage ▪ Trials to Criterion | <p>collecting the data (including the schedule of observation and recording periods).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prepares a graph potential behavioral data using either an equal interval graph, cumulative record, or a standard behavior chart. ○ Measures from which the student chooses are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Count ▪ Rate ▪ Duration ▪ Latency ▪ IRT ▪ Percentage ▪ Trials to Criterion |
| Experimental Design | <p>Given a scenario describing a behavioral need in an applied setting, the candidate does four or fewer of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Selects an experimental design that will answer the scenario’s question, ▪ Gives a clinically sound rationale for that design selection, ▪ Writes step by step instructions for how that experimental design will be implemented, | <p>Given a scenario describing a behavioral need in an applied setting, the candidate does each of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Selects an experimental design that will answer the scenario’s question, ▪ Gives a clinically sound rationale for that design selection, ▪ Writes step by step instructions for how that experimental design will be implemented, | <p>Given a scenario describing a behavioral need in an applied setting, the candidate does each of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Selects an experimental design that will answer the scenario’s question, ▪ Gives a clinically sound rationale for that design selection, ▪ Writes step by step instructions for how that experimental design will be implemented, |

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| | <p>including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Decision Rules for introducing the intervention ○ Decision rules for withdrawing the intervention (if there are withdrawals) or for introducing the intervention in another setting, for another therapist, with another participant, etc.; ○ Designs from which one may select include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Withdrawal Design (minimum ABAB) ▪ Alternating treatments design ▪ Changing criterion design ▪ Multiple baseline design ▪ Multiple probe design ▪ Pairwise comparison ▪ Identifies at least two relevant threats to internal validity given the scenario ▪ Writes step by step instructions for how each of those threats to internal validity will be managed or minimized. | <p>including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Decision Rules for introducing the intervention ○ Decision rules for withdrawing the intervention (if there are withdrawals) or for introducing the intervention in another setting, for another therapist, with another participant, etc.; ○ Designs from which one may select include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Withdrawal Design (minimum ABAB) ▪ Alternating treatments design ▪ Changing criterion design ▪ Multiple baseline design ▪ Multiple probe design ▪ Pairwise comparison ▪ Identifies at least two relevant threats to internal validity given the scenario ▪ Writes step by step instructions for how each of those threats to internal validity will be managed or minimized. | <p>including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Decision Rules for introducing the intervention ○ Decision rules for withdrawing the intervention (if there are withdrawals) or for introducing the intervention in another setting, for another therapist, with another participant, etc.; ○ Designs from which one may select include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Withdrawal Design (minimum ABAB) ▪ Alternating treatments design ▪ Changing criterion design ▪ Multiple baseline design ▪ Multiple probe design ▪ Pairwise comparison ▪ Transforms the design into either a parametric analysis or a component analysis to assess necessary levels of intervention or necessary intervention components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Writes step by step instructions for conducting the |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> parametric analysis or component analysis ○ Provides decision rules for making condition changes in the context of parametric analysis or component analysis ▪ Identifies at least two relevant threats to internal validity given the scenario ▪ Writes step by step instructions for how each of those threats to internal validity will be managed or minimized. |
| Measurement – Basic Research | <p>Given a scenario describing a basic research question, the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defines the behavior, including any relevant private events, in behavior-analytic (non-mentalistic) terms. • Selects one measure for the behavior of interest, and does four or fewer of the following for that measure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gives a clinically sound rationale for the measure chosen. ○ Develops a behavioral data recording form. ○ Writes step by step instructions for | <p>Given a scenario describing a basic research question, the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defines the behavior, including any relevant private events, in behavior-analytic (non-mentalistic) terms. • Selects one measure for the behavior of interest, and does each of the following for that measure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gives a clinically sound rationale for the measure chosen. ○ Develops a behavioral data recording form. ○ Writes step by step instructions for | <p>Given a scenario describing a basic research question, the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defines the behavior, including any relevant private events, in behavior-analytic (non-mentalistic) terms. • Selects two or more measures for the behavior of interest, and does each of the following for that measure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gives a clinically sound rationale for the measure chosen. ○ Develops a behavioral data recording form. ○ Writes step by step |

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