

# EAB 6937C: Topics in the Experimental Analysis of Behavior, Spring 2024

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## **Course Information**

Mon: Period 3  
9:35-10:25am  
Room 129

## **Instructor**

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<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/91089376502>

Meeting ID: 910 8937 6502

## **Schedule and to sign up to present:**

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## **Course Description, Content, and Objectives**

This seminar focuses on contemporary research in basic and applied behavior analysis and professional issues in the field. Weekly presentations will focus on ongoing research projects related to various topics that include: addiction, autism, basic learning processes, behavioral assessment, behavioral economics, choice and decision-making, classroom applications, disorders of learning and behavior, health behavior, intervention strategies, professional and ethical issues, research methods, and verbal behavior. The principal objective of the course is to familiarize students with a wide range of content and methodology through a sampling of current research, evaluation of empirical strategies, and discussions of a conceptual nature.

Students are expected to successfully complete the learning objectives associated with each presentation. The presenters, content, and related objectives will be announced after the first class session, when presenters sign up for individual dates.

## **Format**

Each week a lecture will be given that provides background information and empirical data on a research topic or summarizes current views about an issue of professional interest. Attendees are expected to pose questions and to join in a general discussion.

## **Online Course Statement**

Our class sessions may be audio-visually recorded for students in the class to refer back and for enrolled students who are unable to attend live. Students who participate with their camera engaged or utilize a profile image are agreeing to have their video or image recorded. If you are unwilling to consent to have your profile or video image recorded, be sure to keep your camera off and do not use a profile image. Likewise, students who un-mute during class and participate orally are agreeing to have their voice recorded. If you are not willing to consent to have your voice recorded during class, you will need to keep your mute button activated and communicate exclusively using the "chat" feature, which allows

students to type questions and comments live. The chat will not be recorded or shared. As in all courses, unauthorized recording and unauthorized sharing of recorded materials is prohibited.

### **Grading**

Assignment of grades for enrolled students will be based on the quality of a student's presentation and participation in the seminar discussion.

### **Special Accommodations**

Every effort will be made to show consideration to all students and to create a classroom environment in which students feel that their contributions are valued. Students requesting special accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office, which will provide documentation that the student must give to me when requesting accommodation. All properly requested accommodations will be granted discreetly. If other special circumstances should arise during the term, please contact me directly and as soon as possible.

### **Honesty Policy**

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge, which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The Honor Code (<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class."

### **Sexual Harassment**

UF fosters a campus free of sexual harassment, which is a violation of state and federal laws as well as of the policies and regulations of the university. All UF employees and students must adhere to UF's sexual harassment policy, which can be found at: <https://hr.ufl.edu/forms-policies/policies-managers/sexual-harassment/>. Please review this policy and contact a university official if you have any questions. University employees (e.g., administrators, managers, supervisors, faculty, teaching assistants, staff) are required to report knowledge of sexual harassment to UF's Title IX coordinator. For more information about UF's Title IX office see: <https://titleix.ufl.edu/>. You can also complete a Sexual Harassment Report online (Title IX) at: <https://titleix.ufl.edu/title-ix-reporting-form/>.

### **Course Evaluation**

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/>