

Armstrong

GRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

University Hall 282

Addendum to Agenda for January 22, 2014

IV. College of Science and Technology

F. Psychology

Item 1 from the Department of Psychology was discussed and the undergraduate portions approved by the University Curriculum Committee. It is being submitted to the Graduate Curriculum Committee.

1. Modify the following course:

PSYC 5060U/G Basic Behavior Principles and Behavior Change 3-0-3

Undergraduate Prerequisites: PSYC 1101 or PSYC 1101H, and either PSYC 3400 or both PSYC 4090 and 4091

Graduate Prerequisite: Acceptance to ~~the~~ Graduate School Studies or baccalaureate degree in psychology.

Basic principles of behavior analysis, the definition and characteristics of applied behavior analysis, and behavior change procedures, including positive and negative reinforcement, schedules of reinforcement, punishment, imitation, shaping and chaining, extinction, differential reinforcement, and antecedent interventions.

Essential material for this course is covered in PSYC 3400 (Introduction to Learning) or PSYC 4090 (Learning and Behavior) and 4091 (Learning and Behavior Laboratory).

Rationale: Currently, our three course sequence in applied behavior analysis (PSYC 5060, 5061, and 5062) has been approved by the Behavior Analysis Certification Board (BACB) as fulfilling the course requirements for students to qualify to take the Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst (BCaBA) Examination. Beginning in 2015, students would need to complete a four course sequence in order to qualify to take that exam. We have revised our applied behavior analysis curriculum to meet the requirement of a four course sequence: PSYC 3400 or PSYC 4090 and 4091, 5060, 5061, and 5062. In that PSYC 3400 or PSYC 4090 and 4091 will provide the foundational material for PSYC 5060, PSYC 3400 or PSYC 4090 and 4091 should be a prerequisite for PSYC 5060, just as PSYC 5060 is the prerequisite for PSYC 5061 and PSYC 5061 is the prerequisite for PSYC 5062.

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