

ATTENTION BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS STUDENTS

This is a very important announcement for students interested in completing the FIU undergraduate Verified Course Sequence (VCS) **in order to become a Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst**. If you are taking VCS courses but are not pursuing certification the changes describe below will not affect you.

The Behavior Analyst Certification Board will begin testing under the 5th Edition Task List in **January 2022**. The FIU undergraduate VCS has been updated to meet the 5th Edition Task List standards and has received VCS status. Courses taken under the current, 4th Edition Task List will not meet the 5th Edition Task List standards. Therefore, implementation of the 5th Edition VCS courses will begin in **Spring 2021**. The 4th edition courses will be phased out as the 5th edition courses are phased in, such that students who started the VCS under the 4th edition will be able to complete it with enough time to take the certification exam prior to January 2022.

Supervised experience hours must also be completed to sit for the exam.

Details about the certification requirements and process are available at www.BACB.com

The **Phase Out-In Schedule** below may be used to plan your completion of the 4th edition VCS. Specific **Completion Options** are also provided. **Once a 4th edition course is phased out it will not be offered again.**

| Phase Out-In Schedule | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 | EAB 4764 | EAB 4798 | PSY 4931- BA |
| 4 th edition, last semester offered | Fall 2020 | Spring 2021 | Spring 2021 | Summer 2021 | Summer 2021 |
| 5 th edition, first semester offered | Spring 2021 | Summer 2021 | Summer 2021 | Fall 2021 | Fall 2021 |

4TH EDITION VCS COMPLETION OPTIONS

If you took EAB 3002 before or in the Summer of 2020

| Option | Summer 2020 | Fall 2020 | Spring 2021 | Summer 2021 |
|--------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 & EAB 4764 | EAB 4798 & PSY 4931 | |
| 2 | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 | EAB 4764 & EAB 4798 | PSY 4931 |
| 3 | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 | EAB 4764 | EAB 4798 & PSY 4931 |

If you are taking EAB 3002 in the Fall of 2020

| Option | Fall 2020 | Spring 2021 | Summer 2021 |
|--------|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 & EAB 4764 | EAB 4798 & PSY 4931 |

If you are unable to complete the 4th edition VCS by Summer 2021, any courses taken under the 4th edition must be repeated under the 5th edition in order to meet requirements for certification. Therefore, if you are planning to take EAB 3002 in Fall 2020, but think you may not be able to complete the remaining four VCS courses, following the schedule above, you should wait to take EAB 3002 in Spring 2021.

5TH EDITION VCS COMPLETION OPTIONS

If you are taking EAB 3002 in the spring of 2021 you will begin the VCS under the 5th Edition Task List and may complete the courses following any of the options below.

| Option | Semester 1 | Semester 2 | Semester 3 | Semester 4 | Semester 5 |
|--------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|
| 1 | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 & EAB 4764 | EAB 4798 & PSY 4931 | | |
| 2 | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 | EAB 4764 & EAB 4798 | PSY 4931 | |
| 3 | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 | EAB 4764 | EAB 4798 & PSY 4931 | |
| 4 | EAB 3002 | EAB 3794 | EAB 4764 | EAB 4798 | PSY 4931 |