

Animal Behavior Clinic

School of Veterinary Medicine
West Lafayette, Indiana



presents:

**DOGS! Course: Principles and
Techniques of Behavior Modification
and**

**The DOGS! and CATS Course:
Diagnosis and Treatment of Behavior
Problems for the Veterinarian**

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The Veterinary Behavior Team: Teaming Up to Treat Behavior Problems

The Purdue University Animal Behavior Clinic has developed a comprehensive continuing education program to assist veterinarians and veterinary technicians in the treatment and prevention of behavior problems.

DOGS!



**DOGS! Course: Principles and Techniques
of Behavior Modification**

Five-day Spring Course

30 C.P.D.T. CE credits

35 Veterinary/Veterinary Technician CE credits

In this course, we teach basic principles of learning, training, and behavior modification, and the practical application as part of the treatment of behavior problems in dogs.

Course Objectives

At the end of this course, participants will:

- Be proficient in behavior problem prevention techniques
- Understand puppy development and normal dog behavior



- Be able to design and run puppy classes and adult training classes
- Understand the principles of learning and behavior modification
- Have knowledge of motivation-based, humane, and effective training techniques
- Be proficient at applying behavior modification techniques prescribed by a veterinarian in the treatment of common behavior problems, such as various applications of: systematic desensitization, counter-conditioning, and response substitution

In-class workshops will focus on how to apply the principles of learning and behavior modification techniques to problem cases. Four hands-on practicum sessions will focus on puppy classes, training normal dogs, and on applying behavior modification techniques to problem dogs.

Who Should Participate

The DOGS! Course: Principles and Techniques of Behavior Modification is oriented primarily to veterinary technicians and veterinary support staff. Veterinarians may attend the course with a technician for no additional fee. The course format includes lectures and hands-on workshops.

DOGS! & CATS

The DOGS! and CATS Course:
Diagnosis and Treatment of Behavior Problems for the Veterinarian
Three-day Fall Course
18 Veterinary/Veterinary Technician CE credits

This course provides information on the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of behavior problems of dogs and cats, with emphasis

on diagnosis and differential diagnosis of behavioral problems, application of behavior modification techniques, and behavioral pharmacology. Topics include problem prevention, behavioral intervention, aggression, anxiety related problems, inappropriate elimination, normal unwanted behavior, client counseling and client interaction, the question of euthanasia for behavioral problems, and companion animal welfare.

Course Objectives

At the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Diagnose and treat behavior problems
- Incorporate a behavior program into a veterinary practice
- Counsel puppy and kitten owners on prevention of behavior problems
- Identify animals that are at risk of relinquishment due to behavior
- Perform a behavior wellness consult
- Recognize behavior problems that underlie physical or medical problems

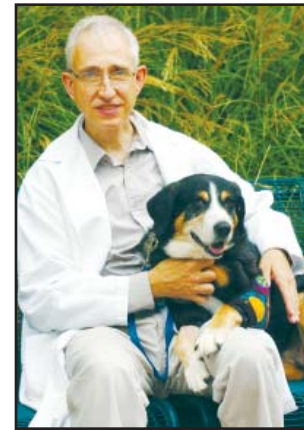
Who Should Participate

This course is limited to veterinarians and veterinary technicians accompanying veterinarians. We encourage participation of veterinarian/veterinary technician teams. **Registration cost is the same for a veterinarian alone and for a veterinarian/veterinary technician team.**



Instructors

A. Luescher, D.V.M., Ph.D., D.A.C.V.B.



Dr. Luescher joined the faculty of Veterinary Clinical Sciences and the School of Veterinary Medicine at Purdue University in August, 1997, to establish the Animal Behavior Clinic. Dr. Luescher earned his D.V.M. from the University of Zurich, Switzerland, and a Ph.D. in animal behavior from the University of Guelph, Ontario. He is certified as an applied animal behaviorist by the Animal Behavior Society and is a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists.

J. Shaw, R.V.T.

Julie became the animal behavior technologist at the Purdue Animal Behavior Clinic in 1999. Her current responsibilities include teaching courses in behavior modification to veterinary and veterinary technician students and instructing continuing education seminars for veterinary technicians, veterinarians, and trainers. She also assists Dr. Luescher during referral behavior consultations, teaches puppy classes and clicker training classes, and does pet-selection counseling.



Animal Behavior Clinic Staff

The current behavior clinic resident and other support staff will assist with lectures and practicums.

For Fee Information:
Visit the Animal Behavior Clinic Web site at: www.vet.purdue.edu/animalbehavior
for course fees, dates, and discounts

A tuition discount will be offered for participants who take both courses.