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*Ethical Issues in  
Behavioral Research*

Emerald Group Publishing  
This book provides easy-to-access, reliable, up-to-date information on the numerous advances in research, assessment,

treatment, and service delivery for clinicians, academics, administrators and other mental health professionals. It examines issues surrounding

intellectual and developmental disabilities in a real-world sociopolitical framework. In addition, the book summarizes the major domains and emerging subspecialties of this vast area into one useful reference and so offers a wide range of assessment and diagnostic tools and tactics, including cognitive and adaptive behavior assessments. [Ethical Implications in Skinnerian Behaviorism](#)  
Hackett Publishing  
B. F. Skinner presents his views on behavior

modification and the role of behaviorism in society, education, and future attainment of the goals of humanism  
*Science, Ethics, and Public Conversation* Behaviorism and Ethics Behavioral Ethics in Practice Why We Sometimes Make the Wrong Decisions  
Despite ongoing efforts to maintain ethical standards, highly publicized episodes of corporate misconduct occur with disturbing frequency. Firms produce defective products, release toxic substances

into the environment, or permit dangerous conditions to exist in their workplaces. The propensity for irresponsible acts is not confined to rogue companies, but crops up in even the most respectable firms. Codes of Conduct is the first comprehensive attempt to understand these problems by applying the principles of modern behavioral science to the study of organizational behavior. Codes of Conduct probes the psychological and social

processes through which companies and their managers respond to a wide array of ethical dilemmas, from risk and safety management to the treatment of employees. The contributors employ a wide range of case studies to illustrate the effects of social influence and group persuasion, organizational authority and communication, fragmented responsibility, and the process of rationalization. John Darley investigates how unethical acts are

unintentionally assembled within organizations as a result of cascading pressures and social processes. Essays by Roderick Kramer and David Messick and by George Loewenstein focus on irrational decision making among managers. Willem Wagenaar examines how worker safety is endangered by management decisions that focus too narrowly on cost cutting and short time horizons. Essays by Baruch Fischhoff and by Robyn Dawes review the role of the expert in

assessing environmental risk. Robert Bies reviews evidence that employees are more willing to provide personal information and to accept affirmative action programs if they are consulted on the intended procedures and goals. Stephanie Goodwin and Susan Fiske discuss how employees can be educated to base office judgments on personal qualities rather than on generalizations of gender, race, and ethnicity. Codes of Conduct makes an important scientific

contribution to the understanding of decisionmaking and social processes in business, and offers clear insights into the design of effective policies to improve ethical conduct.

*Beyond Freedom and Dignity* Routledge

Despite the growing interest among philosophers and theologians in virtue ethics, its proponents have done little to suggest why Christians in particular find virtue ethics attractive. Joseph J. Kotva, Jr., addresses this

question in *The Christian Case for Virtue Ethics*, showing that virtue theory offers an ethical framework that is highly compatible with Christian morality. Kotva defines virtue ethics and demonstrates its ability to voice Christian convictions about how to live the moral life. He evaluates virtue theory in light of systematic theology and Scripture, arguing that Christian ethics could be profitably linked with neo-Aristotelian virtue ethics. Ecumenical in tone, this

book provides a thorough but accessible introduction to recent philosophical accounts of virtue and offers an original, explicitly Christian adaptation of these ideas. It will be of value to students and scholars of philosophy, theology, and religion, as well as to those interested in the debates surrounding virtue ethics.

**Behavior, Culture, and Evolution** Psychology Press

Alice Cray offers a transformative account of moral thought about

human beings and animals. Instead of assuming that the world places no demands on our moral imagination, she underscores the urgency of treating the exercise of moral imagination as necessary for arriving at an adequate world-guided understanding of human beings and animals.

**Animals, Rights and Reason in Plutarch and Modern Ethics** Russell

Sage Foundation  
Using path-breaking discoveries of cognitive science, Mark Johnson argues that humans are

fundamentally imaginative moral animals, challenging the view that morality is simply a system of universal laws dictated by reason. According to the Western moral tradition, we make ethical decisions by applying universal laws to concrete situations. But Johnson shows how research in cognitive science undermines this view and reveals that imagination has an essential role in ethical deliberation. Expanding his innovative studies of human reason in

*Metaphors We Live By and The Body in the Mind*, Johnson provides the tools for more practical, realistic, and constructive moral reflection.

*The RBT® Ethics Code*  
New York : Appleton-Century-Crofts

A reprint of the 1976 Macmillan edition. This fictional outline of a modern utopia has been a center of controversy ever since its publication in 1948. Set in the United States, it pictures a society in which human problems are solved by a scientific technology of

human conduct.

A Good Day's Work

Routledge

This book challenges, with several powerful arguments, some of our deepest beliefs about rationality, morality, and personal identity. The author claims that we have a false view of our own nature; that it is often rational to act against our own best interests; that most of us have moral views that are directly self-defeating; and that, when we consider future generations the

conclusions will often be disturbing. He concludes that moral non-religious moral philosophy is a young subject, with a promising but unpredictable future.

**Understanding Ethics in Applied Behavior Analysis**

Routledge

A History of Psychology: Ideas & Context, 5/e, traces psychological thought from antiquity through early 21st century advances, giving students a thorough look into psychology's origins and development. This title provides in-depth

coverage of intellectual trends, major systems of thought, and key developments in basic and applied psychology.

Moral Identity in Early Modern English Literature

John Wiley & Sons

This groundbreaking volume explores Plutarch's unique survival in the argument that animals are rational and sentient, and that we, as humans, must take notice of their interests. Exploring Plutarch's three animal-related treatises, as well as passages from his ethical treatises,

Stephen Newmyer examines arguments that, strikingly, foreshadow those found in the works of such prominent animal rights philosophers as Peter Singer and Tom Regan. Unique in viewing Plutarch's opinions not only in the context of ancient philosophical and ethical thought, but also in its place in the history of animal rights speculation, *Animals Rights and Reasons* points out how remarkably Plutarch differs from such anti-animal thinkers as the Stoics. Classicists,

philosophers, animal-welfare students and interested readers will all find this book an invaluable and informative addition to their reading. [A Practical Guide to the Behavior Analyst Certification Board Guidelines for Responsible Conduct](#) Cambridge University Press  
Understanding Behaviorism is a classic textbook that explains the basis of behavior analysis and its application to human problems in a scholarly but accessible

manner. Now in its third edition, the text has been substantially updated to include the latest developments over the last decade in behaviour analysis, evolutionary theory, and cultural evolution theory. The only book available that explains behavior analysis and applies it to philosophical and practical problems, written by one of today's best-known and most highly respected behaviorists. Explores ancient concepts such as purpose, language,

knowledge, and thought, as well as applying behavioural thinking to contemporary social issues like freedom, democracy, and culture Part of the new evolutionary perspective for understanding individual behavior in general and culture in particular – culminates with practical approaches to improving the lives of all humanity

### **Ethics for Behavior**

**Analysts** Springer

Science & Business Media

How do we know right from wrong, good from

bad, help from hindrance, and how can we judge the behaviour of others?

Ethics are the rules and guidelines that we use to make such judgements. Often there are no clear answers, which make this subject both interesting and potentially frustrating. In this book, the authors offer readers the opportunity to develop and express their own opinions in relation to ethics in psychology.

There are many psychological studies that appear to have been harmful or cruel to the

people or animals that took part in them. For example, memory researchers carried out studies on a man who had no memory for over forty years, but because he had no memory he was never able to agree to the studies. Is this a reasonable thing to do to someone? Comparative psychologist Harry Harlow found that he could create severe and lasting distress in monkeys by keeping them in social isolation. Is this a reasonable thing to do even if we find out useful



things about human distress? If you were able to use psychological techniques to break someone down so that they revealed information that was useful to your government, would you do it? If so, why? If not, why not? These ethical issues are not easy to resolve and the debates continue as we encounter new dilemmas. This book uses examples from psychological research to look at: key ethical issues ethical guidelines of psychologists socially sensitive research ethics

in applied psychology the use of animals in research This book is essential reading for undergraduate and pre-undergraduate students of psychology and related subjects such as philosophy and social policy.

Why We Sometimes Make the Wrong Decisions

InterVarsity Press

Is the science of moral cognition usefully modelled on aspects of Universal Grammar? Are human beings born with an innate 'moral grammar' that causes them to analyse human

action in terms of its moral structure, with just as little awareness as they analyse human speech in terms of its grammatical structure? Questions like these have been at the forefront of moral psychology ever since John Mikhail revived them in his influential work on the linguistic analogy and its implications for jurisprudence and moral theory. In this seminal book, Mikhail offers a careful and sustained analysis of the moral grammar hypothesis,

showing how some of John Rawls' original ideas about the linguistic analogy, together with famous thought experiments like the trolley problem, can be used to improve our understanding of moral and legal judgement. Hackett Publishing

Steve Wilkens exposes the complex ethical systems lurking behind the most common slogans of our culture, offering a Christian evaluation of each. In this revised and expanded edition, the author has updated his

introductory remarks about each ethical system and has included new chapters on evolutionary ethics and narrative ethics.

Reflections on Behaviorism and Society  
Routledge

Ethics and Values in Psychotherapy is an examination of the role of the therapist as ethicist and the ways in which the ethical convictions of both therapist and client contribute to the practical process of psychotherapy. As Psychotherapy strives to establish itself as a

'Profession', practitioners are increasingly focusing on the issue of ethics as they attempt to agree on guidelines and standards for professional practice. Alan Tjeltveit argues that any discussion of professional and ethical practice in psychotherapy is inadequate if carried out in ignorance of or in isolation from traditional ethical theories. He applies this approach to issues such as: \* the role of therapy in society \* the goals and outcomes of psychotherapy \* techniques and practices

\* the existence and operation of values \* the intellectual and social context in which therapy takes place. In the second part of the book, he uses clinical examples and case studies to relate this theoretical discussion to clinical practice. Ethics and Values in Psychotherapy will be welcomed by the growing number of experienced Psychotherapists and post-graduate students who are interested in the increasingly contentious issue of professional ethics.

B.F. Skinner: Consensus And Controversy John Wiley & Sons  
Actionable tools and processes to ensure the ethical behavior that feeds profitable business growth The path to business success begins with behavior. This book provides tools from the study of ethics, scientific management practices, and behavioral psychology to ensure that ethical behavior is the foundation for workplace practices. A Good Day's Work delivers strategies to improve the ethical

climate for its own sake and achieve business success that supports critically important values necessary for the survival of the broader culture. Everyone, from the mailroom to the boardroom, will benefit. Delivers a comprehensive blueprint for making ethical behavior integral to business processes and performance management Goes beyond posted codes of conduct to illustrate how daily business practice maintains or impedes doing the right thing in

the right way Provides a decision-making tool to assess business activity against a pragmatic and sound ethical standard Illustrates how ethical breaches often stem from small missteps and offers techniques for preventing them

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McGraw Hill Professional Morality indicates what is the 'right' and what is the 'wrong' way to behave. It is one of the most popular areas of research in contemporary social psychology, driven in part by recent political-

economic crises and the behavioral patterns they exposed. In the past, work on morality tended to highlight individual concerns and moral principles, but more recently researchers have started to address the group context of moral behavior. In *Morality and the Regulation of Social Behavior: Groups as Moral Anchors*, Naomi Ellemers builds on her extensive research experience to draw together a wide range of insights and findings on morality. She offers an essential

integrative summary of the social functions of moral phenomena, examines how social groups contribute to moral values, and explains how groups act as 'moral anchors'. Her analysis suggests that intragroup dynamics and the desire to establish a distinct group identity are highly relevant to understanding the implications of morality for the regulation of individual behavior. Yet, this group-level context has not been systematically taken into

account in research on morality, nor is it used as a matter of course to inform attempts to influence moral behavior. Building on social identity and self-categorization principles, this unique book explicitly considers social groups as an important source of moral values, and examines how this impacts on individual decision making as well as collective behaviors and relations between groups in society. Throughout the book, Ellemers presents results from her own research to elucidate how

social behavior is affected by moral concerns. In doing this, she highlights how such insights advance our understanding of moral behavior and moral judgments for of people who live together in communities and work together in organizations. *Morality and the Regulation of Social Behavior* is essential reading for academics and students in social psychology and related disciplines, and is an invaluable resource for practitioners interested in

understanding moral behavior.

**The Christian Case for Virtue Ethics** John Wiley & Sons

*Wrestling with Behavioral Genetics* brings together an interdisciplinary group of contributors -- geneticists, humanists, social scientists, lawyers, and journalists -- to discuss the ethical and social implications of behavioral genetics research. The essays give readers the necessary tools to critically analyze the findings of behavioral geneticists, explore

competing interpretations of the ethical and social implications of those findings, and engage in a productive public conversation about them. "What sets this collection apart from others is the way that contributions from a diverse authorship are integrated to form a coherent whole... Doubtless this book will soon become a classic within behavioral genetics and compulsory reading for the non-specialist seeking to understand the basic scientific, social, and ethical issues within

the field." -- American Journal of Bioethics "Informative, provocative, and challenging, this book is a must-read for anyone seeking to understand this emerging field." -- Social Theory and Practice "Promoting public conversation about behavioral genetics will be increasingly pertinent to creating enlightened, fair, and representative public policy... The 'wrestling' will go on for some time to come." -- New England Journal of Medicine "This volume presents a fair and honest

treatment of the field that is both cautious at times and also optimistic and hopeful." -- Metapsychology Erik Parens is a senior research scholar at the Hastings Center and a visiting professor in the Science, Technology, and Society Program at Sarah Lawrence College. Audrey R. Chapman is a professor of community medicine and Healey Chair in Medical Humanities and Bioethics at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine. Nancy Press is a professor at the School of

Nursing and the Department of Public Health at the School of Medicine, Oregon Health and Science University.

*Understanding Behaviorism* Routledge

This is a provocative contribution to contemporary ethical theory challenging foundational conceptions of character.

*Metaphysical and Ethical Implications of Deterministic Behaviorism* Routledge

Behavioural ethics in business is an emerging field that has challenged

some of the established wisdom about ethics and added some truly new insights into our understanding about decision-making and behaviour. Why do seemingly responsible employees and managers sometimes act in bad ways? This book explains how people behave in real situations and what action can be taken to nudge behaviour in a more ethical direction. This concise textbook is ideal for use in the classroom as core or additional reading on courses in

business ethics and corporate social responsibility; organisational behaviour and psychology; and any module with ethics content (for example, accounting ethics and strategic management). Each chapter is presented as a story with details about the experimental designs and related research findings. The key features include learning outcomes, suggested class activities, mock assessment questions, and an annotated list of key readings and these

provide a one-stop text  
for tutors and students

interested in this

increasingly important  
area of study.