

MIDWEST MULTISTATE DIVISION Continuing Education Approval Program Acceptable Verbs for Writing Learning Outcomes & Objectives

The following is a list of suggested verbs, which may be used in the development of your required learning outcomes and optional objectives. This list is not meant to be all-inclusive and limiting. Used properly, these behavioral verbs will be found acceptable.

Verb List for Writing Measurable Learning Outcomes and Objectives

KNOWLEDGE	COMPREHENSION	APPLICATION	ANALYSIS	SYNTHESIS	EVALUATION
arrange	associate	apply	analyze	arrange	appraise
cite	classify	change	appraise	assemble	assess
define	convert	choose	breakdown	categorize	attach
describe	compute	compute	calculate	collect	choose
duplicate	defend	demonstrate	categorize	combine	compare
identify	describe	discover	compare	comply	conclude
label	discuss	dramatize	contrast	compose	contrast
list	distinguish	employ	criticize	construct	critique
match	estimate	illustrate	debate	create	defend
memorize	explain	interpret	diagram	design	describe
name	express	manipulate	differentiate	develop	discriminate
order	extend	modify	discriminate	devise	estimate
outline	generalize	operate	distinguish	explain	evaluate
read	identify	practice	examine	formulate	explain
recall	indicate	predict	experiment	generate	grade
recite	infer	prepare	identify	integrate	judge
recognize	locate	produce	illustrate	manage	justify
record	paraphrase	propose	infer	organize	interpret
relate	predict	relate	inspect	plan	measure
repeat	recognize	schedule	inventory	prepare	predict
report	rewrite	show	model	rearrange	rank
reproduce	review	sketch	outline	reconstruct	rate
restate	select	solve	question	relate	relate
select	summarize	translate	relate	reorganize	score
specify	translate	use	select	revise	select
state		utilize	separate	rewrite	summarize
tabulate		write	subdivide	setup	support
			test	summarize	test
				synthesize	value
				tell	
				write	