

Interested in ABA? We're starting a new cohort June 18 – August 10



Take the first course in the BACB Verified Course Sequence and then meet with your program advisor to develop a personalized plan of study that's just right for you. There are two tracks in the ABA program: *Professional Practice* (experience toward BCBA is included in the degree) and *Thesis* (your BCBA supervision is provided by your employer). Students can complete the program *completely online* using our safe and secure *remote supervision* usually where they work in about six semesters or two years (including summers).

Starts ONLINE June 18! SPED 520 Applied Behavior Analysis – 3 credits

Covers definitions, characteristics and principles of behavior, processes and concepts of behavior change.

First Year Recommended Courses:

SPED 520 Applied Behavior Analysis

SPED 551 Assessment and Program Planning* CO

SPED 574 Data-Based Instruction* CO

SPED 515 Ethics in Education & Human Services

Second Year Recommended Courses:

SPED 502 Research in Special Programs

SPED 533 Learning and Experimental Analysis of Behavior

SPED 580 Autism Characteristics and Interventions* OR

SPED 550 EBPs Teaching St. w/Emot. & Beh. Disorders

SPED 586 Conceptual Issues in Radical Behaviorism

Professional Practice (has a BACB prerequisite):

- *Fall SPED 590 Internship in ABA, 5 credits –measurement, graphing, identifying & prioritizing problem behavior, conducting functional behavior assessments and functional analyses, behavior intervention planning.
- *Spring SPED 590 Internship in ABA, 5 credits –skill acquisition training procedures such as: Chaining, Shaping, Imitation, Discrete Trial Training, Precision Teaching, and Verbal Behavior Programs.
- *Third Semester (Pre-Professional) SPED 590 Internship in ABA, 5 Credits –Learn to do what professional behavior analysts do, reflect on a mock professional exam, and conduct a mini-thesis.

Thesis Track (during 2nd year):

*SPED 599 Thesis, 6+ Credits – Students select topics and work with their advisor, usually over two semesters. Elective – Students choose a 3-credit elective in a competency area of interest with the approval of their advisor.

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Apply NOW! Take up to 12 credits as provisional admission before GRE requirement must be met.

^{* =} Field Experience Component: Requires approval or application and Federal Criminal Background Report. CO = Corequisite: students take this course with Fall and/or Spring Internship if they are in Prof. Practice.