



SANFORD COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS

Learn Skills to Help Children with Special Needs

Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) is focused on exploring the principles of learning theory as related to the science of human behavior. ABA prepares educators in methods for applying reinforcement and other principles to increase positive behavior and reduce undesirable behaviors, particularly in the case of children with autism. In this coursework, candidates learn teaching techniques and strategies to shape and promote positive behavior change, including discrete trial instruction, pivotal response training, incidental teaching, fluency-based instruction, and others. The techniques candidates learn have been proven effective in improving skills such as language, self-help, and play, as well as in decreasing behaviors like aggression, self-stimulatory behaviors, and self-injury. The six-course sequence in

ABA at National University will prepare candidates for the national certification examinations sponsored by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB). Once candidates complete the sequence, they receive a certificate of completion from the University. (BACB certification has additional requirements).

Program highlights:

- Learn to synthesize data and information in useful ways
- Understand ethics and laws in applied behavior management
- Use research to choose appropriate methods to solve behavior problems
- Apply methods of applied behavior analysis in everyday practice

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The six-course sequence in applied behavior analysis is designed to prepare candidates for the national certification examinations sponsored by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB). Upon successful completion of National University's six-course sequence, the candidate will receive a certificate of completion from National University, but this is not professional certification by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB) and does not entitle candidates to claim they are Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA's). Information about becoming certified through the BACB can be found at www.bacb.com.

Required CBA Learning Module Subscription

Students are required to purchase a one-year subscription to the CBA Learning Module Series from Behavior Development Solutions (BDS) at www.behaviordevelopmentsolutions.com. Using someone else's account is not permissible. This program is an addition to the required textbook materials and will be used throughout the program. The current cost of this program for a twelve-month subscription is \$399. The CBA Learning Module Series will greatly improve your chances of passing the BCBA® and BCaBA® exams. Students will work on these modules during each class period, and between classes. There is a money-back guarantee from BDS if one uses the modules per BDS recommendations and does not pass the BCBA exam.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Evaluate data and information from applied behavior analysis procedures, and synthesize in graphic, textual, and oral formats.
- Integrate overall practice guidelines code of ethics, and laws in applied behavior management.
- Critique relevant research literature and use idiographic research methods to solve behavior problems.
- Use multiple data sources and points of view in the design, implementation, and evaluation of analytic goals.
- Apply methods of applied behavior analysis to practice.

Certificate Requirements

Qualifying to take the national Board Certified Behavior Analyst exam requires that candidates must do 1500 hours of Supervised Fieldwork, supervised by a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA). National University does not provide this supervision. Candidates for admission to the ABA Certificate Program must have a bachelor's degree.

Requirements for the Certificate

(6 courses; 27 quarter units)

ABA 600	Basics of Behavior Analysis
ABA 601	Assessment in ABA <i>Prerequisite: ABA 600 with a minimum grade of B</i>
ABA 602	Processes of ABA <i>Prerequisite: ABA 601</i>
ABA 603	Applications of ABA <i>Prerequisite: ABA 602</i>
ABA 604	Advanced Applications <i>Prerequisite: ABA 603</i>
ABA 606	Ethics for Behavior Analysts