The Certificate in Applied Behavioral Analysis and the Graduate Diploma in Applied Behavioral Analysis course sequences have been approved by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB©), a non-profit corporation established in the United States to meet professional credentialing needs that have been identified by behavior analysis agencies, governments, and consumers of behavior analysis services both nationally and more recently internationally.

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Overview

The Certificate in Applied Behavioral Analysis and the Graduate Diploma in Applied Behavioral Analysis provide a formal background into the theory and practice of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA). ABA is used mostly with clinical populations in the area of developmental disabilities diagnosed with learning and/or intellectual disabilities, ADHD or ADD, Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), behavior and emotional problems, as well as persons with Oppositional Defiance Disorder (ODD) and conduct disorder.

The Certificate in ABA is designed to provide recent University graduates the opportunity to acquire the necessary theoretical and practical foundations for a future career in ABA as a Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst (BCaBA) once they successfully pass the national certification exams.

The Graduate Diploma in ABA is designed to provide experienced professionals in mental health, who already hold a Master’s degree, the opportunity to acquire the necessary theoretical and practical foundations for a future career in ABA as a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA), once they successfully pass the national certification exams. The BCBA qualification is designed for senior positions in the field through directly designing and implementing treatment protocols but also through supervising BCaBAs in their work.

The Certificate in ABA prepares the prospective BCaBA to:
- work under the direction or guidance of the BCBA
- conduct behavioral assessments
- interpret clinical data
- design effective behavior analytic interventions in cases familiar to those s/he encountered during her training and supervision
- provide training to and supervision of other staff once s/he demonstrates competency under the direction of the BCBA

The Graduate Diploma in ABA prepares the prospective BCBA to:
- Acquire a comprehensive understanding of applied behavior analysis;
- Develop knowledge, skills, and understanding of the principles, methods and ethical practices in applied behavior analysis;
- Develop a more detailed knowledge of the literature, theories and issues relevant to applied behavior analysis;
- Develop the ability to evaluate psychological research;
- To design and implement effective treatment protocols;
- To supervise and train others and BCaBAs.

Program Structure

To be awarded the Certificate in ABA, students must successfully complete five courses, representing a total of 16 US credits. For the Graduate Diploma in ABA students must successfully complete seven courses, representing a total of 24 US credits. The modules are assessed through examinations and projects.

Certificate in ABA Required Courses

- Introduction to ABA (3 credits)
- Advanced ABA (3 credits)
- Developmental Disabilities (3 credits)
- Behavioral Assessment (4 credits)
- Practicum (3 credits)

Graduate Diploma in ABA Required Courses

- Introduction to ABA (3 credits)
- Advanced ABA (3 credits)
- Introduction to Developmental Disabilities (4 credits)
- Behavioral Assessment (4 credits)
- Measurement & Experimental Design (3 credits)
- Ethics and Professional Issues (3 credits)
- Practicum (4 credits)

Course Duration

The Certificate in ABA may be completed in 19 weeks (full-time) or over 10 months (part-time). The Graduate Diploma in ABA may be completed in one year (full-time) or up to two years (part-time). Classes run two evenings per week from 5-9pm (full-time students) or one evening per week from 5-9pm (part-time students). New students are admitted at the start of the fall and spring terms.

Admission to the Program

Admission to the Certificate in ABA requires that students have obtained a bachelor’s degree prior to enrolling and demonstrate evidence of proficiency in English.

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