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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS

Prepare for a Career in Behavior Analysis

The Master of Science in Applied Behavioral Analysis program prepares you to pursue a career in behavior analysis with a 10-course sequence, of which eight courses are verified by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board. Behavior analysts provide services to individuals, families, group homes, schools, mental health agencies, hospitals, industrial and business settings, and other agencies working with individuals who require intensive behavioral training and/or consultation. This program is designed to prepare you for acceptable behavior management techniques and strategies to be used in a wide range of settings. You will be required to develop, implement, analyze, and evaluate behaviorally accepted methods for positive behavior change across various environments.

The program meets the educational/coursework requirements for students who wish to pursue a career as a Board Certified Behavior Analyst® (BCBA®). This coursework, along with the additional 2,000 hours of approved supervision, allows you to be eligible to sit for the BCBA exam. In addition to their educational requirements, graduates of this program will need to also meet additional requirements established by their state and the BACB® including supervised field experiences, applications, examinations, and background checks to become certified.

Program Highlights:

- Explain Radical Behaviorism's foundational concepts and principles from a behavior analytic approach

- Analyze measurement, data display, and interpretation in experimental design format

- Integrate the Code of Ethics during the behavior change process and assessment procedures

- Integrate behavior management and performance monitoring during the behavior change process and assessment procedures

- The application of applied behavior analysis in research and daily life

- Conduct research using relevant design, statistical measurements, data analysis, and program evaluation methods to improve student outcomes

- Meets the BACB Fifth Edition Task List requirements and prepares you to sit for the board certified behavior analyst (BCBA) exam

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The Master of Science in Applied Behavioral program prepares students with the course work required for understanding the role of an applied behavior analyst. The curriculum includes a 10 course sequence of which 8 courses are verified by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board. This course work along with the additional 2000 hours of approved supervision allows a student to be eligible to sit for the BCBA exam. Behavior analysts provide services to individuals, families, group homes, schools, mental health agencies, hospitals, industrial and business settings, and other agencies working with individuals who require intensive behavioral training and/or consultation. This program is designed to prepare candidates for acceptable behavior management techniques and strategies to be used in a wide range of settings. Students will be required to develop, implement, analyze, and evaluate behaviorally accepted methods for positive behavior change across various environments. Information about becoming certified through the BACB can be found at www.bacb.com.

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Program Disclosure Information

The program meets the educational/coursework requirements for students who wish to pursue a career as a Board Certified Behavior Analyst® (BCBA®). In addition to their educational requirements, graduates of this program **will need to also meet additional requirements established by their state and the BACB®** including supervised field experiences, applications, examinations, and background checks to become certified.

In order to receive a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) graduate-level certification, the student will have a choice of 3 options or 4 pathways depending on when the student applies for BCBA certification. Each option or pathway requires: a degree, behavior-analytic content, experience or supervised fieldwork, and passing the BCBA certification examination. The details of these requirements can be found at https://www.bacb.com/bcba/.

For up-to-date information on program licensure eligibility requirements for a state, please visit: https://www.nu.edu/licensuredisclosures/.

Program Learning Outcomes

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

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Degree Requirements

To receive a Master of Science in Applied Behavior Analysis, students must complete at least 45 quarter units of graduate work. A total of 4.5 quarter units of graduate credit may be granted for equivalent graduate work completed at another institution. To effectively transfer units to this degree, the transferable units were not previously used in earning another advanced degree. In addition, the coursework was completed within the past 7 years. Course equivalence cannot be granted for life experience. Please refer to the graduate information section of the University Catalog for admission and evaluation.

Program Requirements

(10 courses; 45 quarter units)

ABA 620	Philosophical Underpinning ABA
ABA 622	Concepts and Principles of ABA
	Prerequisite: ABA 620
ABA 624	Measurement and Design
	Prerequisite: ABA 622
ABA 626	Functional Behavior Assessment
	Prerequisite: ABA 624

ABA 628	Behavioral Change Procedures
	Prerequisite: ABA 626
ABA 630	Developing ABA Interventions
	Prerequisite: ABA 628
ABA 632	BACB Ethics Compliance Code
	Prerequisite: ABA 630
ABA 634	Supervision and Management
	Prerequisite: ABA 632
ABA 636	Application of ABA Skills
	Prerequisite: ABA 634
ABA 670	ABA Capstone Project
	Prerequisite: ABA 636