

Behavior Analysis, M.S.

The Master of Science degree in Behavior Analysis will prepare students for a career in Behavior Analysis by offering the curriculum and degree requirements for national and international examinations to become Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA), Qualified Behavior Analysts (QBA), and International Behavior Analysts (IBA). Core courses are aligned with accreditation standards set forth by the Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) and include a thesis and supervised practical application experience.

The degree program is 39-45 variable credit hours. The curriculum includes foundations, concepts, assessment, intervention, measurement, research design, and experimental analysis with areas of emphasis on practice in healthcare and organizational behavior management.

Admission Requirements

In addition to the University graduate admission requirements described in the [Admissions section](#) of the catalog, the department bases decisions for regular admission on a holistic review of credentials in which the following criteria are used to assess the potential success of each applicant:

- Undergraduate institutional GPA of 3.25 or higher.
- Submission of a personal statement written by the applicant that demonstrates graduate-level writing ability using APA style, experience and support in the field, and evidence of academic success. Letters will be graded by the admissions committee using a rubric.
- An oral interview.
- Two letters of reference, at least one preferably from a former instructor and one from a supervisor.

Graduation Requirements

- Completion of Academic Credits: Completion of all courses with a Grade of "B" or higher to include the following: 21 credits (7 courses) of core academic learning, 3 credits (1 course) advanced research design, 6 credits (2 courses) of Supervised Applied experience, which includes completion of a thesis, and 9 credits (4 courses) of OBM and performance management curriculum. There is an optional 3 credit (1 course) offering for students seeking to apply for QABA certification. Any student is allowed to repeat EAB 6940 Applied Experience II for academic credit. This degree consists of a minimum of 39 credits with a maximum of 45 credits.
- GPA: Students must maintain a minimum of a 3.0 in order to graduate.
- Applied Experience: Satisfactory completion ("B") of a minimum of 3 credit hours in EAB 6195 Applied Experience I and 3 credit hours in EAB 6940 Applied Experience II.
- Thesis: Satisfactory completion of a final thesis/capstone which is part of the Applied Experience grade.

Required Courses

EAB 5005	Foundations and Principles of Applied Behavior Analysis	3
EAB 5065	Supervision and Fluency Management	3
EAB 5745	Applied Behavior Analysis in Organizational Settings	2
EAB 5746	Behavior Systems Analysis	2

EAB 6195	Applied Experience I	3
EAB 6940	Applied Experience II	3-6
EAB 5700	Behavior Assessment	3
EAB 6799	Measurement and Single Case Design	3
EAB 5767	Behavior Intervention	3
EAB 6780	Ethical Considerations in Applied Behavior Analysis	3
EAB 6140	Concepts of Applied Behavior Analysis	3
EAB 5708	Experimental Analysis of Behavior	3
EAB 6797	Advanced Single Case Design	3
EAB 5740	Behavioral Science Strategies for Performance	2

Total Hours **39-42**

Optional Elective

HSA 5424	Clinical and Legal Considerations in Autism Treatment	3
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