

# APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, POST-MASTER'S GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

## Overview

The Post-Master's Graduate Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) is a 21-credit program that has been approved as a Verified Course Sequence (VCS) by the Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) (<https://www.abainternational.org/vcs/directory/course-sequence-information.aspx?csid=45c28aa3-c20d-ed11-8208-000c29a8e632&pid=00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000000&cl=&mo=>).

Successful completion of the 21-credit program satisfies the education requirement to sit for the Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA®) examination. Students can work toward satisfying the experience requirement to sit for the BCBA® examination upon entry into the program. For more information about becoming a BCBA®, see the BACB website (<http://www.bacb.com>).

## Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the 21 credits, the student will receive a Post-Master's Graduate Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis. The student will have acquired knowledge and skills that comprise the BCBA® 5 (<https://www.bacb.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/BCBA-task-list-5th-ed-211019.pdf>)<sup>th</sup> Edition Task list. These include:

- Philosophical Underpinnings of ABA
- Concepts and Principles in ABA
- Measurement, Data Display, and Interpretation
- Experimental Design
- Ethics
- Behavior Assessment
- Behavior Change Procedures
- Selecting and Implementing Interventions
- Personnel Supervision and Management

## Admission

### Requirements for Admissions

Admission is contingent on the outcome of an interview with the program faculty. Candidates will be notified in writing as to their status.

- Baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university.
- Minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- A master's or doctoral degree in psychology or a master's or doctoral degree in education.
- Applicants with deficiencies may be required to register for appropriate undergraduate course(s) without graduate credit.
- Completed self-managed application packet (see below):

**The completed self-managed application packet must include:**

- A check or money order for \$40 (nonrefundable) made payable to Georgian Court University.
- A completed graduate application form.

- A reasonably complete statement of the applicant's reasons for undertaking this program of study. An explanation of what factors influenced applicant's decision and how this program will facilitate attainment of the applicant's professional goals for the future should be addressed.
- Sealed and signed envelopes containing official transcripts of each undergraduate and graduate institution the applicant has attended. If the official seal has been broken, the transcript is considered to be unofficial and cannot be accepted for use toward the application. Official transcripts electronically transmitted directly from the Office of the Registrar of each institution will be accepted in lieu of a paper copy.
- One (1) letter of recommendation on letterhead and signed (written by college professors, deans, supervisors, or other persons engaged in or familiar with the profession for which applicant wishes to prepare). This can be uploaded or emailed to [gps@georgian.edu](mailto:gps@georgian.edu).

Accepted students will receive a health form that must be completed and submitted to the GCU Office of Health Services (<https://georgian.edu/health-services/>).

## Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
ABA501	Ethical & Professional Conduct	3.0
ABA502	Measurement & Experimental Design	3.0
ABA503	Experimental Analysis of Behavior	3.0
ABA504	Philosophy of Behaviorism	3.0
ABA510	Behavior Assessment	3.0
or SPS5910	Beh Assessment in Edu & Comm Settings	
ABA511	Behavior Change Procedures I	3.0
or SPS6911	Beh Interventions in Edu & Comm Settings	
ABA512	Behavior Change Procedures II	3.0
or SPS6912	Adv Beh Chng Procdr in Edu&Comm Settings	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>21.0</b>