

APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS GRADUATE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

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Program Code	APPBA
Campus(es)	World Campus

This program is intended for those who seek advanced knowledge in the field of applied behavior analysis. The 21-credit curriculum is specifically designed to prepare students to sit for the Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) certification examination. After completing the program, students will be able to:

1. Define, apply, and explain behavior principles in response to applied situations.
2. Use evidence-based methods to collect, display, interpret, and communicate behavioral data.
3. Select, implement, and explain evidence-based methods of assessment for behavioral program implementation.
4. Select, implement, and explain evidence-based interventions to affect socially significant behavior change for clients.
5. Explain, communicate, and engage in professional practice using current ethical guidelines in behavior analysis.

Courses taken in the certificate program may be applied toward the Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Special Education, subject to restrictions outlined in GCAC-309 Transfer Credit (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-300/gcac-309-transfer-credit/>). Certificate students who wish to have certificate courses applied towards a graduate degree must apply and be admitted to that degree program. Admission to the graduate degree program is a separate step and is not guaranteed.

Effective Semester: Spring 2025

Expiration Semester: Spring 2030