

Occupational Endorsement Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis

Behavior analysis explores principles of learning and the way that the environment influences behavior, addressing socially significant issues, such as: health promotion, substance abuse treatment, education, animal training, employee performance and workplace safety, and the intensive treatment of pervasive developmental disabilities, including autism spectrum disorders. Students are trained to function as entry- and mid-level practitioner-scientists to provide environmental support and address challenging behavior in diverse communities. The Occupational Endorsement Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis is best suited for practicing professionals aiming to expand their professional development and students who have already graduated with a 4-year degree planning to work toward Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst® certification.

Licensure and/or Certification

The UAA Department of Psychology offers an Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI®) verified coursework sequence. This verified coursework sequence, combined with hands-on supervised experience in the field and the Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst® (BCABA®) exam, lead to professional certification.

Please go to UAA's Authorization by State (https://www.uaa.alaska.edu/academics/office-of-academic-affairs/provost_office/uaa-state-authorization/authorization.cshtml/) website for information about licensure or certification in a state other than Alaska.

Admission Requirements

- Complete the Admission Requirements for Occupational Endorsement Certificates (<https://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/academicpoliciesprocesses/admissions/undergraduate/>).

Special Considerations

- Complete supervised practicum experience with a community agency providing behavioral services.

Graduation Requirements

- Complete the General University Requirements for Occupational Endorsement Certificates (<https://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/oecrequirements/>).
- Complete the following major requirements with a minimum grade of C:

Code	Title	Credits
PSY A200	Introduction to Behavior Analysis	3
PSY A400	Strategies of Behavior Change	3
PSY A495A	Psychology Practicum	3
Complete a minimum of 9 credits from the following:		9
PSY A447	Behavioral Treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder	
PSY A455	Interventions for Challenging Behavior	
PSY A467	Organizational Behavior Management	
PSY A478	Applications of Behavior Analysis	
Total		18

A minimum of 18 credits is required for the certificate.

- Demonstrate knowledge of contemporary behavior analytic principles, assessments, and procedures.
- Apply acceptable skills in research analysis (including writing and APA style).
- Demonstrate competence in basic clinical skills in behavior analysis sufficient to practice under general supervision.