

Interdisciplinary Applied Behavior Analysis—BCBA Certificate Program

There is a growing demand among professionals working in the human services arena to become Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs). This five-course, Board-approved sequence provides the academic requirements of the Behavior Analysis Certification Board for the BCBA. It is designed for professionals with baccalaureate or graduate degrees (or people working on graduate degrees) who work in school, hospital, home and community-care-home settings. It is also open to individuals desiring to supplement their knowledge of behavior analysis. All courses are taught in the evenings by BCBAs. In addition to course work, instructors will provide information on the certification process, experience requirements and international testing.

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What is the IABA program all about? The program is designed for those who wish to become certified behavior analysts. If you already have, or are earning, a Master's degree, the five-course sequence will meet the academic requirements for testing for certification. Certification is provided through the Behavior Analysis Certification Board (BACB). Beginning January 2011, the applicant for certification must have the appropriate degree "from an accredited university, that was conferred in behavior analysis or other natural science, education, human services, engineering, medicine or a field related to behavior analysis and approved by the BACB" (bacb.com). These courses, your Master's degree, and supervision hours must be complete before you can test for the BCBA. If you are interested in doing behavior analytic work with a Bachelor's degree, this program prepares you academically for the BCaBA with the introductory, first, second and fourth classes only. BCBAs and BCaBAs work in many settings: homes, schools, institutions, businesses, health-care facilities and zoos. They apply the scientifically-derived principles of behavior to socially significant behavior. The people served include the general population, adults and children with disabilities, typically developing children in schools, adults and children who need to learn and stay on health maintenance programs, employees and employers to maintain high quality work in safe and enriching environments. Some BCBAs and BCaBAs work with non-humans in animal care facilities, zoos, or in home settings.

Do I have to take the courses in sequence? Yes, with a few exceptions. If you took the Fresno State graduate ABA or Functional Analysis courses as part of the Ed.S. degree in the previous three years, you may skip those classes (this does not apply to other Ed. S. programs.) BCaBA candidates do not have to take Research Methods.

Does the program provide supervision? No. The program is approved by the Behavior Analysis Certification Board for the academic requirements for the BCBA and the BCaBA. We hope most people have supervision through their jobs. If not, we will attempt to find people to supervise them, but cannot guarantee it. Fresno, Clovis, Madera, and Sanger Unified and Tulare and Fresno County Offices of Education now have BCBAs on staff. Each year more districts hire BCBAs. CVRC has several BCBAs and most private, local providers of ABA services have a BCBA on site to supervise.

How much supervision will I need? 1500 hours for the BCBA students, 1000 for the BCaBA students. You have to work 10-30 hours per week and 10% of that time must be supervised. Half the hours can be in groups of up to five, half must be one-on-one. Half must be direct observation of the supervisee working. Hours that are not ABA work do not count. So a school psychologist who is doing testing or a program director who is doing bookwork cannot count those hours.

I am an International Student. Can I enroll in this program? International students need to take a minimum of 12 units a semester to qualify for an I-20 so that they can get an F-1 student visa. The Board Certified Behavior Analyst program is 1 unit in summer, 8 units in the fall and 7 units in the spring so international students would not qualify for the minimum units if they participate in this program without taking other classes. For more questions on studying as an international student go to the International Student Services website www.fresnostate.edu/issp/

What about registration and payment? There are several ways to register and several ways to pay. Remember, **you must do both to be fully enrolled in a course**. Registration and payment **deadlines are one week prior to the first day of the class** to ensure you are both on the roll and on Blackboard the first day of class. Registration after the first day of class incurs a late fee. **For full details, go to the last section of this document.**

***For more information on the certification process, please see the Behavior Analysis Certification Board: bacb.com**

***For more information on behavior analysis, see the Cambridge Center for Behavioral Studies: behavior.org**

***For the flagship organization for behavior analysis, see Association for Behavior Analysis International: abainternational.org**

***For information about B. F. Skinner, the founder of the field of behavior analysis, see: The B. F. Skinner Foundation: bfskinner.org**

REQUIRED COURSES:

SUMMER 2012

PSYCH 220T

Introduction to ABA

Class #50659 (Open Enrollment)

August 7 - 16, TTH, 5-8 pm

August 18, Saturday, 1-3 pm

Location: Science 2, Room 314

Instructor: JP Moschella, MA, BCBA

1 unit; Fee: \$325

FALL 2012

PSYCH 270T

Interdisciplinary Applied Behavior Analysis

Class #78327 (Permission Number Needed)

August 22 - October 15

MW, 5:30-9:30 pm

Location: Science 2, Room 320,

Instructor: Marianne Jackson, Ph.D., BCBA-D

4 units; Fee: \$1,300

PSYCH 270T

Interdisciplinary Functional Assessment and Intervention

Class #78328 (Student Specific Permission)

October 17 - December 12

MW, 5:30-9:30 pm

Location: Science 2, Room 320

Instructor: Hayley Heitzig, MA, BCBA

4 units; Fee: \$1,300

SPRING 2013

PSYCH 240T

Interdisciplinary Research Methods in Behavior Analysis

Class #35844 (Student Specific Permission)

January 21 - March 18

MW, 5:30-9:30 pm

Location: Science 2, Room 320

Instructor: Jason Marshall, MA, BCBA

4 units; Fee: \$1,300

PSYCH 270T

Interdisciplinary ABA Ethics and Systems Support

Class #35845 (Student Specific Permission)

March 20 - May 15

MW, 5:30-8:30

Location: Science 2, Room 320

Instructor: JP Moschella, MA, BCBA

3 units; Fee: \$975

The 2013/2014 program will be different from the above coursework and schedule. There will be three differences:

1. The first class will be two units, not one.
2. The Ethics (last) class will be four units, not three.
3. Because of this, the cost will go up by \$650 overall.

These changes are due to the Behavior Analysis Certification Board increasing requirements for basic principles and for ethics.

The 2013-2014 schedule will be available in late February.

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT: Below are several ways to register and pay for the classes. The Division of Continuing and Global Education is at the east end of the Kremen Ed building, Room 130, on the northwest corner of Shaw and Maple. The Joyal Administration Building is a quarter mile north of Shaw on the east side of Maple. You can download forms for registration at <http://www.csufresno.edu/cge/forms/index.shtml>. Remember, **you must register and pay to be fully enrolled in a course.** Registration and payment **deadlines are one week prior to the first day of the class** to ensure you are both on the roll and on Blackboard the first day of class. Registration after the first day of class incurs a late fee. Registration is closed after the first week of class.

Register ONLINE

Go to my.csufresno.edu > Under **My Menu**, SELECT “Continuing & Global Ed Courses”.

NEW STUDENT - you do not have a Fresno State ID number, click the "New Student" button. Write down your new student ID number and then go to <http://email.csufresno.edu> to create your Fresno State student account. (*Note that if you have ever applied to Fresno State, you will have a student ID number, even if you did not attend. This may result in difficulty registering. Call the student HELP DESK at 559.278.7000 if this is the case.*)

RETURNING STUDENT – If you know your Fresno State Username and Password, click the "Returning Students" button.

DO NOT remember your PASSWORD - go to <http://password.csufresno.edu>

DO NOT remember your USERNAME - call the student HELP DESK at 559.278.7000 for assistance. Summer hours are Monday through Saturday, 7 am to 6 pm.

DO NOT have a CURRENT Fresno State email account - go to <http://email.csufresno.edu>. Look for "Need an Account?" Click on STUDENTS: Create your Fresno State account now.

Once you have an ID, password and email account, to register ONLINE: log into my.csufresno.edu

Click on Student Self Service > Student Center > My Academic Records & Registration. In the "*other academic*" drop down box. Select "**ContinGlobalEd Class**" > CLICK on » **go to next page**. Select a "**Program to Enroll:*" and "**Term:*" > **SUBMIT**. Click on "**Class Wish List**" to enter your 5 digit class number to search for, and enroll in the class.

Register IN PERSON

Download registration form from www.csufresno.edu/cge/forms or pick up registration form from the Division of Continuing and Global Education, located in the Education Building, Room 130.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Make sure your payment is receipted to "Continuing and Global Ed".

- **Cash, Checks or Money Orders** are accepted at the Cashier's Window, Joyal building, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, (7 am to 3:30 pm Summer Hours). Make check or money orders payable to "**Fresno State**" and write your Fresno State ID your document.

- **Credit card payments:**

1. ONLINE - go to <https://my.csufresno.edu>. Select Student Self Service > Student Center > "My Finances > View eBills/Make a Payment. You may pay online using **American Express, MasterCard, Discover, ONLY**. A service fee of 2.9% is charged when you pay online with a credit card. You may also pay by electronic check online with NO service fee.

2. IN PERSON - go to the Cashier's Window, Joyal building, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (7 am to 3:30 pm Summer Hours). **MasterCard and Visa ONLY**.

Need additional help? Contact Martha Rodriguez at (559) 278-0333. For general information on the program and The Division of Continuing and Global Education, please go to:

<http://www.csufresno.edu/cge> Information on this program is listed under "Certificate Programs."