APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS (ABA)

ABA 2930 - Special Topics
Credit(s): 1-3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

ABA 2939 - Violence, Crime & Justice
Credit(s): 3 Credits

ABA 3010 - Introduction to Applied Behavior Analysis
Credit(s): 3 Credits
This course is an introduction to applied behavior analysis. Applied behavior analysis is a field dedicated to the scientific application of behavioral principles and procedures to socially relevant problems. During this course, students learn the causes of behavior. Students will also learn about basic principles and procedures, such as reinforcement, punishment, and functional assessment. In addition, we will cover particular content areas including behavioral medicine, behavioral gerontology, drug and alcohol abuse, classroom management, developmental disabilities, and applications in business and industry. Cross-listed with PSY 4730.
Prerequisite(s): PSY 1010

ABA 3930 - Special Topics
Credit(s): 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

ABA 3980 - Independent Study
Credit(s): 1 or 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

ABA 4930 - Special Topics
Credit(s): 1-3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

ABA 5001 - Supervision and Organizational Behavior Management
Credit(s): 3 Credits
This course builds upon the basic principles of learning and applied behavior analysis presented during previous courses in the Applied Behavior Analysis program curriculum. This course develops students understanding of evidenced-based strategies for supervision, organizational behavior management, group contingencies and meta-contingencies, and influencing behavioral change of employees and staff working with clients/consumers of behavior analytic services. Course content supports the social work value of social justice, as it relates to provisions of professional services to persons with disabilities. (Offered in Summer)

Prerequisite(s):

ABA 5002 - Philosophy of Behavioral Science
Credit(s): 3 Credits
This course builds upon the basic principles of learning and applied behavior analysis presented during previous courses in the Applied Behavior Analysis curriculum. This course will highlight the philosophical underpinnings of behavioral science, including Radical Behaviorism, and how the application of such theoretical principles can impact individuals, groups, and macro-level social systems (e.g., government, religious institutions, etc.). Concomitantly, the course will focus on verbal behavior and derived relational responding across phylogenetic, ontogenetic, and cultural levels of analyses. The goal of the course is to refine students' conceptual knowledge of the science of human behavior generally, and as it relates to aspects of social systems (including verbal behavior). At the end of the course, students will be able to demonstrate understanding of Radical Behaviorism, behavioral approaches to verbal behavior, and how behavioral science can address societal problems. (Offered in Fall)

Prerequisite(s):

ABA 5115 - Advanced Clinical Research and Practice Seminar IV
Credit(s): 1 Credit
This two-part course seeks to assist students with advancing their clinical skills learned during practicum I-III, by integrating research into their practice. Students will actively apply research-based techniques and theoretical perspectives during clinical practice, according to professional and ethical standards. Advanced practice experiences will include: conducting functional analyses; designing, implementing, and monitoring advanced and complex behavioral change programs; overseeing implementation of behavioral change programs by others; participating in behavioral program planning meetings; conducting behavior analytic principles and concepts in novel settings, environments, and/or populations. Course content will prepare students for working in the professions of behavior analysis and social work for Board Certification in Applied Behavior Analysis. Course content supports the ethical principles of social justice to provide professional services to persons with disabilities. (Offered in Fall, Spring, and Summer)
Prerequisite(s):

ABA 5117 - Advanced Clinical Research Competency Seminar V
Credit(s): 1 Credit
This two-part course seeks to assist students with advancing their clinical skills learned during practicum I-III, by integrating research into their practice. Students will actively apply research-based techniques and theoretical perspectives during clinical practice, according to professional and ethical standards. Advanced practice experiences will include: conducting functional analyses; designing, implementing, and monitoring advanced and complex behavioral change programs; overseeing implementation of behavioral change programs by others; participating in behavioral program planning meetings; conducting behavior analytic principles and concepts in novel settings, environments, and/or populations. Course content will prepare students for working in the professions of behavior analysis and social work for Board Certification in Applied Behavior Analysis. Course content supports the ethical principles of social justice to provide professional services to persons with disabilities. (Offered in Fall, Spring, and Summer)

Prerequisite(s):
ABA 5746 - Principles & Concepts in Behavior Analysis  
Credit(s): 3 Credits  
This course will familiarize students with behavior analysis fundamental philosophical assumptions, and the basic concepts and principles of operant and respondent conditioning. The course will review some of the basic laboratory research that has illuminated the principles of behavior. The material covered in this course will contribute to preparing students working in the field of behavior analysis and related fields for board certification in Applied Behavior Analysis.

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.

ABA 5747 - Behavioral Assessment  
Credit(s): 3 Credits  
This is a graduate course that will develop student's basic knowledge about behavioral assessment methods and intervention selection in the field of applied behavior analysis. This course will review some of the basic assumptions and characteristics that define the field. The material covered in this course will prepare students working in the field of behavior analysis/related field and for board certification in Applied Behavior Analysis. Course content supports the social justice of social justice to provide professional services to all individuals requiring behavioral interventions. (Offered in Spring)

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the MS Appld Behaviorl Analysis, PMC Appld Behvr Analysis or PMC Appld Behvr Analysis (Web) programs.

ABA 5748 - Behavior Change and Process  
Credit(s): 3 Credits  
This course will expand basic knowledge of students with respect to behavior analysis fundamental concepts, principles and philosophical assumptions including basic behavioral principles of operant and respondent conditioning, stimulus control, and develop a working understanding of these principles in behavior change strategies and interventions in the field of applied behavior analysis. This course will review some of the fundamental applied literature that has demonstrated the efficacy of behavioral strategies and continues to define the field. The material covered in this course will contribute to preparing students working in the field of behavior analysis and related fields for board certification in Applied Behavior Analysis.

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the MS Appld Behaviorl Analysis, PMC Appld Behvr Analysis or PMC Appld Behvr Analysis (Web) programs.

ABA 5749 - Behavior Change and Ethics  
Credit(s): 3 Credits  
This course will familiarize students with the ethical issues confronting those working in behavior analytic or related capacity. Students will learn the ethical responsibilities inherent to working in their chosen field. Ethical codes and cases will be analyzed. Topics will include gaining informed consent, protection of confidentiality, selection of the least intrusive behavior change methods and procedures, and protection of individual rights. The ethical standards addressed in this course will prepare students working in the field of behavior analysis or related fields for board certification in Applied Behavior Analysis. Cross-listed with SWRK 5749.

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the MS Appld Behaviorl Analysis, PMC Appld Behvr Analysis or PMC Appld Behvr Analysis (Web) programs.

ABA 5774 - Measurement & Experimental Design  
Credit(s): 3 Credits  
This course will develop basic knowledge of students with respect to single subject research design, measurement and application of the empirical approach to evaluation of effectiveness of interventions in the field of applied behavior analysis. This course will review some of the basic assumptions and characteristics that define the field. The material covered in this course will contribute to preparing students working in the field of behavior analysis and related fields for board certification in Applied Behavior Analysis.

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.

ABA 5820 - ABA Integrative Seminar I  
Credit(s): 0-1 Credits (Repeatable for credit)  
This is a three part graduate level course (three seminars) that will ensure that students are able to successfully complete all three ABA practica. Students will understand and apply professional and ethical behavior analysis service in clinical contexts by conducting behavioral interventions, designing, implementing and monitoring behavior change programs and, review empirical literature pertinent to those change efforts.

Corequisite(s): ABA 5826

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.

ABA 5826 - Practicum I  
Credit(s): 2 Credits (Repeatable for credit)  
Students will learn to integrate knowledge, values, and skills to develop a professional level of practice with specific emphasis on applied behavioral analysis.

Corequisite(s): ABA 5820

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.

ABA 5827 - Practicum II  
Credit(s): 2 Credits (Repeatable for credit)  
Students will continue to learn and to integrate knowledge, values, and skills to develop a professional level of practice with specific emphasis in applied behavioral analysis.

Prerequisite(s): ABA 5826  
Corequisite(s): ABA 5830

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.

ABA 5828 - Practicum III  
Credit(s): 2 Credits (Repeatable for credit)  
Students will continue to learn and to integrate knowledge, values, and skills to develop a professional level of practice with specific emphasis in applied behavioral analysis.

Prerequisite(s): ABA 5827  
Corequisite(s): ABA 5840

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.

ABA 5830 - ABA Integrative Seminar II  
Credit(s): 1 Credit  
Prerequisite(s): ABA 5820  
Corequisite(s): ABA 5827

Restrictions:  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.
ABA 5840 - ABA Integrative Seminar III  
**Credit(s):** 1 Credit  
**Prerequisite(s):** ABA 5830  
**Corequisite(s):** ABA 5828  
**Restrictions:**  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.

ABA 5930 - Special Topics  
**Credit(s):** 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)  

ABA 5931 - Special Topics in Applied Behavior Analysis  
**Credit(s):** 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)  
This course builds upon basic principles of learning and applied behavior analysis presented during previous courses in the Behavior Analysis course structure. The course will offer advanced coverage of special topics, including: Clinical practice, Autism, and Organizational Behavior Management. Clinical behavior analysis focuses on the use of verbally based interventions to treat persons in outpatient/clinical settings. In behavior analysis and autism we will review diagnostic criteria and evidence based practices. The Organizational Behavior Management section of the course will provide an overview of contemporary research and practice in the field.  
**Restrictions:**  
Enrollment limited to students in the MS Appld Behaviorl Analysis, PMC Appld Behvr Analysis or PMC Appld Behvr Analysis (Web) programs.

ABA 5932 - Special Topics II in Applied Behavior Analysis  
**Credit(s):** 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)  
**Restrictions:**  
Enrollment limited to students in the MS Appld Behaviorl Analysis, PMC Appld Behvr Analysis or PMC Appld Behvr Analysis (Web) programs.

ABA 5980 - Independent Studies  
**Credit(s):** 0-3 Credits

ABA 5990 - Thesis Research  
**Credit(s):** 0-4 Credits (Repeatable for credit)  
Students will conduct original research and begin to write a thesis that reflects independent thought and thorough knowledge of applied behavior analysis. (Offered Fall, Spring, and Summer)  
**Restrictions:**  
Enrollment limited to students in the programs.