



Disability Studies - Applied Behavior Analysis (MA)

The Disability Studies: Applied Behavior Analysis (MA) program only offers a **fall entry term**. A total of 38 credit hours is required to graduate from the program, divided into "**Core Requirements**" (6 cr), "**Behavior Analysis Courses**" (24 cr), and the "**Internship**" (8 cr). * Students can enroll in the Practicum** course as needed for additional field experience hours.

FALL - Semester 1

A Term:

- DS 605G: Theoretical and Philosophical Foundations of Disability Studies (3 cr)

B Term:

- ABA 610G: Introduction to Applied Behavior Analysis I (3 cr)

SUMMER - Semester 3

5-Week Session:

- ED 605G: Psychology of Exceptional Child (3 cr) **OR**
SED 530: Psychology of Exceptional Child (3 cr)

8-Week Session:

- ABA 640G: Foundation of Assessment and Research (3 cr)

SPRING - Semester 5

A Term:

- ABA 670G: Advanced Behavior Change (3 cr)
- ABA 695G: Internship in Behavior Analysis (2 cr)*

B Term:

- ABA 680G: BABC^ Compliance Code, Disciplinary Systems, and Professionalism (3 cr)
- ABA 695G: Internship in Behavior Analysis (2 cr)*

SPRING - Semester 2

A Term:

- ABA 620G: Introduction to Behavior Change (3 cr)

B Term:

- ABA 630G: Introduction to Applied Behavior Analysis II (3 cr)

FALL - Semester 4

A Term:

- ABA 641G: Experimental Analysis of Behavior (3 cr)
- ABA 695G: Internship in Behavior Analysis (2 cr)*

B Term:

- ABA 650G: Introduction to Functional Behavior Assessment (3 cr)
- ABA 695G: Internship in Behavior Analysis (2 cr)*

Internship & Practicum Experiences

- **Internship and Practicum:** All students must pass an FBI background clearance before being placed in practicum or internship assignments. The background check must be current within one year. Students should connect with their faculty advisor to discuss the internship and practicum requirements.

- (*) - **ABA 695G:** Internship in Behavior Analysis (2 cr); *The Internship Course will be repeated over 4 consecutive terms to reach the required 8 credits total for internship hours as part of the total hours to graduate (38 credits)*

- (**) - **ABA 690G:** Practicum in Behavior Analysis (1-3 cr) (optional)

NOTES:

- "A Term" and "B Term" courses are 8-weeks. Full-semester courses are 16-weeks.
- (^) - Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB)
- Upon certification, individuals may apply for licensure in their respective state. Students are encouraged to review their state's licensure laws to ensure their practicum experiences are aligned with the requirements. Truman State University maintains a website with state licensure information, updated annually at <http://consumerinformation.truman.edu/stateauthorization/>. Additionally, specific information about which states require licensure prior to practice, their specific requirements, and instructions to apply can be found here: <http://www.bacb.com/u-s-licensure-of-behavior-analysts/>. Students are expected to update their permanent address each semester to help ensure they can be properly informed about changes

in licensure rules in their home state.

Graduate Program Director: Please contact the Center for Academic Excellence (advise@truman.edu) with any updates to the plan above. Updated 9-19-2024