

M.A. in Applied Behavior Analysis at California State University, Fresno

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Psychology Department

- More than 20 full-time faculty
- Over 2200 undergraduate students
- Approx. 50 graduate students (across 3 different programs)
- Housed within the College of Science and Mathematics
- CSU Fresno has an annual enrollment of approximately 20,000 students.

Program Description

- The Applied Behavior Analysis program is a two-year, full-time program requiring 44 semester hours.
- Two years of practicum
- Verified by the Association for Behavior Analysis, International, to meet the 5th Ed Standards of the Behavior Analysis Certification Board (BACB).
- BCBA exam pass rate – 80 - 100%

Program Progression

- 2 years of coursework (3-4 courses per semester)
- Small cohorts of students
- Paid, in-house practicum placements for the duration of the program
- Master's thesis as culminating experience
- Opportunities for a wide range of applications and research opportunities
- Many opportunities for university, state, and external grant funding

OVERVIEW

The Master's degree in Applied Behavior Analysis is one of three graduate degrees offered in the Department of Psychology and housed in the College of Science and Mathematics.

We offer a full-time, on-campus Master's degree that is a Verified Course Sequence for the 5th edition of the BACB course content standards. Our recent graduates had a 100% pass rate on the BACB® exam and are all gainfully employed upon graduation.

All of our graduate students complete their practicum hours through our in-house experience, and all students complete an experimental thesis as their culminating experience.



Practicum Opportunities

- Working with individuals with ASD and related disorders
 - Children, adolescents, and adults
- Behavior Intervention Services
- On-campus, home-based, community-based, and day program/residential facilities
- Social Connections
- On-campus social skills program for all age groups
- Parent training seminars

ABA Student Club

- Organize the Annual ABA Fresno State Conference, Spring Speaker, and Job Fair
- Various student-focused events throughout the year
- Participates in community outreach activities

Graduates

- Competitive positions in a variety of applied settings
- Many go on to reputable Ph.D. programs



Application Information

- Fall admission only
- February 1st deadline (check website or email for updates)

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Graduate Faculty

Marianne L. Jackson, Ph.D., BCBA-D

- Applications of verbal behavior and derived relational responding
- Interventions in complex social skills
- Behavioral interventions in health and fitness

Alyssa N. Wilson, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LBA

- Etiology, assessment, and treatment of problem gambling
- Transitional clinical behavior analysis
- Interdisciplinary behavior analysis in schools

Jovonnie Esquierdo-Leal, Ph.D., BCBA-D

- Organizational Behavior Management and Behavioral Systems Analysis
- Culturo-behavior science
- Justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion