

All students complete an experimental thesis as part of the requirements for the Master of Arts in Applied Behavior Analysis. Here is a list of recent theses.

Completion Date	Title	Supervising Faculty
05/2024	A COMPARISON OF TWO INTERVENTIONS TO ADDRESS PICKY EATING BY CHILDREN IN THE HOME	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz & Dr. Marianne Jackson
05/2024	CAREGIVER-IMPLEMENTED TRIAL-BASED FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS WITH INDIVIDUALS DIAGNOSED WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE OR OTHER DEMENTIAS	Dr. Marianne Jackson
12/2023	THE EFFECT OF CONDITIONING A COMPOUND STIMULUS ON THE MODERATE-TO-VIGOROUS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY OF INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES	Dr. Marianne Jackson
05/2023	PYRAMIDAL APPROACH TO STAFF-IMPLEMENTED TRIAL-BASED FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS IN SHELTERED CATS	Dr. Steven Payne
05/2023	EVALUATION OF AN EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE TO EVOKE COUNTERCONTROL IN AN ANALOG SETTING	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
12/2022	EXAMINING THE EFFECTS OF MOTIVATIONAL STATEMENTS DELIVERED BY A CO-WORKER OR SUPERVISOR ON EMPLOYEE RESPONDING: DOES SOURCE MATTER?	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz & Dr. Marianne Jackson
12/2022	AN EMPIRICAL INVESTIGATION OF THE EFFECTS OF PREFERRED LANGUAGE USE IN PARENT TRAINING	Dr. Marianne Jackson
12/2022	EXAMINING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PROBABILITY DISCOUNTING AND COVID MITIGATION BEHAVIORS	Dr. Steven Payne
08/2022	AN EVALUATION OF STIMULUS PREFERENCE ASSESSMENTS FOR POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE REINFORCEMENT IN AN ANALOGUE WORK SETTING	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
08/2022	THE PERFORMANCE SCORECARD: MANIPULATION OF PRIORITY WEIGHTS AND EFFECTS ON BEHAVIORAL ALLOCATION	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
08/2022	A PARAMETRIC ANALYSIS OF OBEDIENCE TRAINING IN SHELTER DOGS ON LENGTH OF STAY	Dr. Steven Payne

05/2022	THE EFFECTS OF ACCEPTANCE AND COMMITMENT TRAINING ON ACADEMIC PROCRASTINATION	Dr. Marianne Jackson
05/2022	CONDUCTING A TRIAL-BASED FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS WITH SHELTERED CATS	Dr. Steven Payne
12/2021	EVALUATION OF A TELEHEALTH-BASED, PARENT-IMPLEMENTED SAFE-WORD INTERVENTION FOR ABDUCTION PREVENTION	Dr. Marianne Jackson
05/2021	THE EFFECT OF TASTE EXPOSURE ON COLLEGE STUDENTS' VEGETABLE CONSUMPTION AND PREFERENCE.	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
05/2021	INVESTIGATING THE EFFECTS OF UTILIZING MOTIVATIVE AUGMENTALS THAT EMPHASIZE POSITIVE VERSUS NEGATIVE REINFORCEMENT	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
05/2021	THE EFFECT OF MOTIVATIVE POINT-OF-PURCHASE PROMPTS ON CHILDREN'S RESTAURANT MENU CHOICES IN AN ANALOGUE SETTING	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
05/2021	EXAMINATION OF A BEHAVIOR ANALYTIC INTERVENTION DELIVERED VIA TELEHEALTH TO TEACH HUMOR COMPREHENSION TO INDIVIDUALS WITH ASD	Dr. Marianne Jackson
05/2021	INCREASING HOME COOKING BEHAVIORS WITH A SOCIAL MEDIA-BASED INTERDEPENDENT GROUP CONTINGENCY	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
05/2021	THE ROLE OF DISCOUNTING IN PET RELINQUISHMENT	Dr. Steven Payne
12/2020	THE EFFECTS OF A COMMUNITY-FACILITATED REINFORCEMENT SYSTEM ON BARKING IN SHELTER DOGS	Dr. Steven Payne
12/2020	A PARAMETRIC ANALYSIS OF THE DURATION OF PETTING AS A REINFORCER FOR SHELTER DOG BEHAVIOR	Dr. Steven Payne
12/2020	EVALUATING THE EFFECTS OF INITIAL ADOPTER-DOG INTERACTIONS ON LENGTH OF STAY IN ANIMAL SHELTERS	Dr. Steven Payne
12/2020	A COMPARISON OF THREE PARENT-IMPLEMENTED INTERVENTIONS WITH PICKY EATERS	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
05/2020	USING DESCRIPTIVE ANALYSES TO INFORM THE FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS OF DOG PROBLEM BEHAVIOR	Dr. Steven Payne

05/2020	A PROCEDURAL ANALYSIS OF TASTE EXPOSURE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN	Dr. Sharlet Rafacz
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