



# GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

## Master's in Applied Behavior Analysis

### Advising Guide

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Salve's ABA program offers two tracks for students to meet the coursework requirements toward becoming a BCBA. The following guide outlines various options of timelines for successfully completing an ABA graduate program degree. Because each required course is not necessarily offered every semester, it is important to follow one of the sequences outlined below. If any deviation from the outlined sequences is necessary, please consult with an advisor and refer to the course offerings list described at the end of this document.

- **Master's in Applied Behavior Analysis**
  - Who is Eligible:
    - Students who have already completed a bachelor's degree with applicable prerequisite coursework (see below).
  - Program Requirements:
    - Completion of all 11 required courses and 1 elective.
- **Accelerated (5<sup>th</sup> Year) Master's in Applied Behavior Analysis**
  - Who is Eligible:
    - Salve UG students in their 3<sup>rd</sup> year can apply to begin graduate work in their 4<sup>th</sup> year and add 1 additional year to complete the master's degree. To meet criteria to begin the accelerated program, students must be in good standing and have completed the applicable prerequisite coursework (see below).
  - Program Requirements:
    - Completion of all 11 required courses and 1 elective.

### ***\*Prerequisite Coursework***

*Applicants who do not have an introductory ABA course on their transcript (or, alternatively, demonstrated ABA work experience on their resume) may be conditionally admitted and asked to complete our prerequisite course, **PSY502: Survey of Behavior Analysis**. This course is offered in the summer and will provide the foundational knowledge essential for success in the highly focused coursework offered in the master's program. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be fully matriculated into the fall semester. Successful completion of the 3-credit class satisfies the prerequisite only and does not count toward the master's degree.*



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## Program Requirements

- **11 Required Courses Requirements (Complete All)**
  - PSY510: ABA Ethics and Professional Conduct
  - PSY520: ABA Concepts and Principles
  - PSY530: ABA Research Methods
  - PSY535: Experimental Analysis of Behavior (EAB)
  - PSY540: ABA Intervention
  - PSY550: ABA Assessment
  - PSY560: ABA Supervision & Systems
  - PSY590: ABA Advanced Seminar in Behavior Analysis
  - PSY511: History of Behaviorism
  - PSY570: Applied Behavior Analysis: Practicum I
  - PSY571: Applied Behavior Analysis: Practicum II
- **1 Electives (Choose 1)**
  - PSY513: Educational Psychology
  - PSY521: Health Psychology
  - PSY523: Autism Spectrum and Other Developmental Disabilities
  - PSY525: Abnormal Psychology
  - PSY531: ABA Consultation
  - PSY533: Organizational Behavior Management
  - PSY542: Behavior Analysis & Societal Issues
  - PSY551: Critical Thinking and Decision Making in Psychology
  - PSY580: Individual Research
  - PSY585: Thesis Research and Writing
  - PSY599: Special Topics

## Tentative Course Offerings

Fall	Spring	Summer	
		Summer I	Summer III
520	510	510 (Repeat)	
530	511	590 (Repeat)	
540	560		
550	590		
	530 (Repeat)		
	535		
Electives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 523</li> <li>▪ 580</li> </ul>		Elective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 513</li> </ul>	Elective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 542</li> </ul>
570 & 571	570 & 571	570 & 571	



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## Recommended Course Sequence

Master's Track	Fall	Spring	Summer
1 <sup>st</sup> Year	520, 530, & 1 Elective	510, 511, & 535	570
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	540, 550, & 571	560 & 590  <i>571<sup>2</sup> (Optional)</i>	

Accelerated Track	Fall	Spring	Summer
1 <sup>st</sup> Year	520 & 1 Elective	530	510 & 570
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	540, 550, & 571	511, 560, & 535 <i>571<sup>2</sup> (Optional)</i>	590