ABOUT PROJECT ABA

Project ABA aims to prepare 20 highly qualified behavior analysts to contribute to evidence-based practices (EBP) in Applied Behavior Analysis for children with autism. Project ABA will prepare the graduate students to:

- Select and incorporate EBP in designing intervention plans for children with autism across all grade levels.
- Use various assessment methods to identify child strengths and needs and to develop goals and objectives in the core deficit areas related to autism.
- Assess child behaviors using functional behavioral assessment methods.
- Develop positive behavioral interventions and supports.
- Design multi-component intervention plans with contextual fit.
- Collaborate with educators, families, and other team members in all aspects of intervention development, implementation, and evaluation.
- Provide training and consultation support to educators and families to implement interventions with fidelity.
- Collect and analyze monitoring data to assist teams with decision-making.
- Incorporate technologies into interventions and service delivery.
- Evaluate EBP outcomes for children with autism.

Project ABA will prepare 4 cohorts of 5 students on a 2-year cycle. Through evidence-based practices course work and practicum experience, the project will prepare the students to graduate with a Master’s degree in ABA as well as with a Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst (BCaBA) certification and a Positive Behavior Support certificate, and to sit for the examination to become a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA).

APPLICATION PROCESS

All students accepted in the ABA Master’s Program are eligible to apply to participate in Project ABA. The ABA Master’s Program will attach a Project ABA application form to each student’s offer of admission letter. Interested applicants should submit an application including an application form, a letter of intent, and a curriculum vita.

PROGRAM SUPPORTS

The project students will receive:

- Paid tuition (in-state rate)
- Out-of-state tuition waiver available for non-Florida residents
- A yearly stipend for full-time 12-month participation
- Financial assistance for conference attendance and textbooks