

Applied Behavior Analysis

2024-2025 Catalog Year

Behavior Analysis is an applied science approach to making a difference in human services and human behavior. Professionals in this field identify and measure on-going behavior in educational, business, & institutional settings. Graduates of the applied behavior analysis program gain experience in applying & using behavior technology to modify behavior problems. Students gain practical experience through fieldwork in projects working with children with autism, behavior management in school settings, analysis of severe self-injury, teaching self-managements skills to troubled adolescents in group homes, peer tutoring programs, & projects on improving performance in business & other organizations. Check out the department website at behv.hps.unt.edu for more information about the faculty and the program. The HPS Office of Student Services assists students with degree planning.

The Bachelor of Science degree in Applied Behavior Analysis from the University of North Texas consists of 120 college credit hours, of which 42 are advanced. The degree requires 42 hours of general academics, 34 hours in the major, and 44 hours of general electives.

Occupation Opportunities for Behavior Analysis majors:

- Instructional Specialist
- Habilitation Specialist
- Behavior Intervention Supervisor
- Behavior Analyst in the Dallas Independent School District
- Manager for Teaching-Family Homes for Troubled Adolescents
- Individual Service Coordinator for MHMR Agencies
- Qualified Mental Retardation Professional (QMRP)
- Parent/Child in-home Trainer for Children with Autism
- Human Services Administrator
- Assistant to Behavior Consultant
- Trainer, Supervisor, or Program Coordinator for persons with mental illness or developmental disabilities

Major Requirements

Behavior Analysis Required Courses (34 Hours):

*Major GPA must be 2.7 or above

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| BEHV 2300 | Behavior Principles I | BEHV 3770 | Building Skills with Behavior Technology (4) |
| BEHV 2700 | Behavior Principles II | BEHV 3300 | Organizational Behavior Management |
| BEHV 3440 | Data Collection & Analysis (4) | BEHV 4300 | Culturally Responsive Ethics in ABA |
| BEHV 3550 | Behavior Change Techniques (4) | BEHV 4010 | Functional Analysis & Problem Behavior (4) |
| BEHV 3660 | Survey of Applied Behavior Analysis Literature | BEHV 4750 | Capstone in Applied Behavior Analysis |

Behavior Analysis Electives:

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| BEHV 3200 | Science, Skepticism, and Weird Behavior | BEHV 3000 | ABA and Autism I (Spring only) |
| BEHV 4900 | Science, Skepticism, and Weird Behavior II | BEHV 4900.707 | Special Problems – Autism Natural Envir. |

Areas of Study in Behavior Analysis:

- Autism
- Behavior Disorders — School Children
- Developmental Disabilities
- Experimental Analysis
- Human Performance Improvement — Business & Industry
- Instructional Technology
- Juvenile Delinquency

Optional Minor (18 Hours, 6 Advanced Hours):

Suggested Minors: Computer Science, Criminal Justice, Gerontology, Psychology, Rehabilitation Studies, Special Education or any field with a focus on motivating human behavior & behavior problems.