



KEAN
Nathan Weiss Graduate College

Post-Master's Certification

Option: Applied Behavior Analysis: Autism and Developmental Disabilities

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If you are interested in becoming a Board-Certified Behavior Analyst® (BCBA®), and hold a Master's degree, this Certification Program is for you. The seven courses that comprise this program meet the 315 hours of coursework required to take the BCBA® exam beginning in 2027. Additional requirements by the BACB include supervised fieldwork (see www.BACB.com for information on the current requirements to sit for their BCBA® exam).

Program Description

The Post-Master's Certificate Option: Applied Behavior Analysis: Autism and Developmental Disabilities is an option for those who already hold a Master's Degree and would like to pursue becoming a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA®). This certificate program meets the 315-hour coursework requirement. Applicants will need to meet additional requirements before they can be deemed eligible to take the examination. This Post-Master's Certificate Program is rooted in the science of applied behavior analysis (ABA). At Kean University, you will develop an evidenced-based approach to teaching students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and other Developmental Disabilities.

Admission Requirements

In addition to the University's admissions requirements:

- A Master's Degree in an acceptable field of study from a qualifying institution 3.0 cumulative grade point average
- Official transcripts from all institutions attended
- Three letters of recommendation (professional experience)
- Furnish an appropriate scholarly writing sample
- Professional Resume/CV
- Professional statement of interest
- Official TOEFL or IELTS score reports (**International Students ONLY**)

Program Requirements

- 21 credit course sequence

Coursework Required to sit for BCBA® exam– 21 CREDITS			
(ONLY offered Fall/Spring)			
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	BACB® 6th Ed Task List Section Hours
SPED 5100	Basic Principles Of Behavior	3	Content Area: B
SPED 5101	Behavior Assessment for Learners with Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities	3	Content Area: F
SPED 5102	Behavior Intervention for Learners with Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities	3	Content Areas: F, G, H
SPED 5103	Supervision and Organizational Behavior Management	3	Content Areas: G, I
SPED 5200 Pre-req: SPED 5100, SPED 5101, and SPED 5102	Theory & Philosophy in Behavior Analysis: Experimental Analysis of Behavior	3	Content Areas: A, B
*SPED 7900 Pre-req: SPED 5100, SPED 5101, and SPED 5102	*Single-Subject Experimental Design *ONLY OFFERED IN FALL SEMESTERS	3	Content Areas: C, D
SPED 7903 Pre-req: SPED 5100, SPED 5101, and SPED 5102	Ethics and Professional Behavior in Applied Behavior Analysis	3	Content Area E

TOTAL OF 21 CREDITS TO COMPLETE CERTIFICATION

Applicants for BACB exams will need to meet additional requirements before they can be deemed eligible to take the examination. See www.bacb.com for certification requirements.

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