MASTER OF ARTS IN APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS

This 36-hour degree plan is designed for individuals who are seeking board certification in behavior analysis. Our program meets the behavior-analytic coursework requirements for those pursuing the BCBA pathway 2 eligibility route. The degree plan originates in the School of Teaching and Learning.

Additional information: Reference the Program Landing Page (https://www.shsu.edu/programs/graduate/special-education-lida/) for additional information, such as cost, delivery format, contact information, or to schedule a visit.

To be regularly admitted to the graduate school, applicants must submit to the Office of Admissions:

1. Graduate Application (http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html)
2. Application fee (http://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-studies/application-fee.html)
3. Official Transcripts for Bachelor's Degree
    a. Minimum undergraduate GPA of a 3.0, either overall or in the last 60 credit hours

Master of Arts in Applied Behavior Analysis

Code	Title	Hours
Master of Arts in Applied Behavior Analysis		
Required Courses		
SPED 6301	Applied Behavior Analysis [1]	3
SPED 6302	Seminar In Autism Spectrum Disorders	3
SPED 6303	Behavioral Intervention and Change Procedures [1]	3
SPED 6304	In-Home Training and Family Issues	3
SPED 6306	Evaluation and Measurement of Behavior [1]	3
SPED 6307	Behavioral Assessment Issues and Procedures [1]	3
SPED 6318	Ethics for Behavior Analysts [1]	3
Select one of the following:		3
SPED 5303	Study of Cognitive and Low Incidence Disabilities	
SPED 5304	Teaching Methods for Learners with Mild to Moderate Disab	
SPED 6329	Behavior Analysis in Complex Organizations [1]	3
SPED 6331	Advanced Concepts and Principles in ABA [1]	3
SPED 6328	Experiential Learning for ABA	3
or SPED 6314	Thesis I: Research Methods in Behavioral Analysis	
SPED 6309	ABA Capstone	3
or SPED 6315	Thesis II	
Total Hours		**36**

[1] The Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI), Inc.® has approved the following course sequence as meeting the 5th edition coursework requirements for eligibility to take the Board Certified Behavior Analyst Examination®. Applicants will have to meet additional requirements to qualify.

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's **60x30TX plan** and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The MA in Applied Behavior Analysis is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Apply scientifically derived principles about variables in the environment that affect socially significant behavior.
- Use Applied Behavior Analysis to support all individuals.
- Complete coursework needed to qualify to sit for the Behavior Analyst Certification Exam.