



# Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

**Learn to address the behavior and social issues of individuals, family members, and people in the community.**

If you have ever asked yourself the question “What can I do to help this person move forward in life successfully?” Kaplan University’s online Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis might interest you.

Courses in this psychology degree examine the major concepts, values, theories, studies, research methods, and historical trends in psychology as they apply to human behavior, learning, and development.

As a student in the program, you will have the opportunity to complete a sequence of classes that has been approved by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board® Inc., (BACB®) as meeting the coursework requirements for eligibility to take the Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst® Examination.<sup>1</sup>

You will have to meet additional requirements to qualify, including degree, field experience, and practicum requirements. Visit BACB’s website ([www.bacb.com](http://www.bacb.com)) for full eligibility requirements.

Kaplan University’s faculty and curriculum go beyond the knowledge you find in a textbook—courses are designed and taught by professors with firsthand knowledge of their fields. Our goal is to create a dynamic environment for online learning through technology and course delivery methods that allow you to access our user-friendly classes virtually anywhere you have an Internet connection. The atmosphere is positive, reinforcing, and highly accessible.

Our psychology degrees are part of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, which offers a breadth of graduate and undergraduate academic programs designed to develop professionals and leaders in fields that make a difference in response to human and societal causes, issues, and needs.

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# Behavioral Disorder Counselors Are Expected to Be in Demand.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment in the field of behavioral disorder counseling is projected to grow much faster than average between 2014 and 2024.<sup>2</sup>

## Study Exactly What You Need to Know.

Taking the right courses in the right degree program could contribute to your job marketability and career success.<sup>3</sup> At Kaplan University's College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, you'll find the kind of commitment and support you can count on.

- Work one-on-one with an Education Advisor to build a personalized degree plan that best suits your ultimate career goals.
- Connect with an enthusiastic community of students from every corner of the country, and learn from faculty members who actively participate in their fields.
- Participate in interactive webinars, informative speaker series, and student clubs where you'll interact with industry leaders and network with individuals who share your passion for driving change.

# A Psychology Degree Could Help You Pursue New Opportunities.

The Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis can prepare you to pursue a number of career opportunities, including the following titles:<sup>3</sup>

- **Applied Behavior Support Specialist**—Provide intensive behavioral assessment/treatment services to clients on the autism spectrum living in a residential setting. Participate in the continued behavioral assessment across settings, as well as the application of treatment strategies derived from an applied behavior analysis (ABA) model by the clinical team.
- **Assistant Behavior Analyst**—Conduct descriptive behavioral assessments and interpret results. Design ethical and effective behavior analytic interventions, and collect data and write reports. (Graduates may need to meet additional degree and experience requirements to qualify.)
- **Behavioral ABA Technician**—provide Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) treatment to children diagnosed with language, communication, behavioral, and developmental disorders such as autism spectrum disorder. Work with clients in a team or one-on-one, carrying out programs designed by a Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA or BCaBA).

The Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis could also help prepare you for continued graduate-level education in psychology, which could significantly broaden your career opportunities.<sup>4</sup>

Please note, the professional practice of psychology is regulated by each state, and the degree requirements in this program do not guarantee or prepare graduates for state licensure. Students should research the requirements in the state in which they intend to seek employment.

# Real-World Knowledge That Works

Students enrolled in Kaplan University's **Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis** program have the opportunity to develop and use psychological skills, think critically, and evaluate behavior and mental processes. The program's curriculum emphasizes key skills including communication, global awareness, information and technology, and the application of psychological principles.

Prepare to work with individuals suffering from autism spectrum disorder, Asperger's syndrome, and other disorders. Examine the design, analysis, and application of learning theories and behavioral principles to understand what motivates human behavior. Develop skills relevant to a variety of jobs including working with autistic children and adults with special needs, and assisting certified behavior analysts who conduct research or create behavior modification programs. Pursuing this bachelor's degree could help you on your way to becoming a Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst® (BCaBA®).<sup>1</sup> This is a recognized credential that indicates professional competence in the field of behavior analysis.

The BACB has approved the course sequence of the applied behavior analysis emphasis area as meeting the coursework requirements for eligibility to take the BCaBA Examination.

## Accelerated Master's Degree Option

Interested in continuing on to pursue a graduate degree? Our flexible degree pathways allow you to work toward any of the following Kaplan University master's degrees while you earn your bachelor's degree:

- Master of Public Administration
- Master of Science in Environmental Policy
- Master of Science in Human Services
- Master of Science in Legal Studies
- Master of Science in Psychology

Complete both your bachelor's degree and master's degree in less time and at a lower cost than completing both programs separately. Speak to an Education Advisor for more details upon enrollment in this bachelor's degree program.

## Program Detail

### **Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis**

› Credit Hours: 180

Program may not be available in all states. Contact an Admissions Advisor for details.

## Kaplan University Tuition Cap

This program is offered at Kaplan University Tuition Cap pricing, which limits the cost of completion for eligible enrollees. For complete details, including eligibility, associated fees, and how prior learning credits could further lower the cost of attendance, visit [www.kaplanuniversity.edu/paying-school/tuition-reduction.aspx](http://www.kaplanuniversity.edu/paying-school/tuition-reduction.aspx).

# Kaplan University—A Different School of Thought®

## We Stand Behind Our Academic Quality. Try Our Classes Before You Owe Any Tuition.

Kaplan University wants you to make an educated decision about your education. As a new student, the Kaplan Commitment<sup>SM</sup> gives you a chance to experience real classes before deciding if you will stay and pursue your studies. If you withdraw during the introductory period, you will have no financial obligation beyond the application fee.<sup>5</sup>

### Why Kaplan University?

Our programs are designed to offer you the freedom to grow and pursue your goals. We offer:

- Online classes that allow you to study virtually anytime, anywhere you have an Internet connection.
- Personal advisors to help you select the courses to meet your goals.
- Scholarships for eligible Kaplan University students.
- A portfolio development course that could help translate your work and life experiences into college credit.<sup>6</sup>

### Other Programs

In addition to this program, Kaplan University also offers:

- Master of Science in Psychology
- Bachelor of Science in Communication
- Bachelor of Science in Human Services
- Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions
- Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Industrial/Organizational Psychology
- Graduate Certificate in Industrial/Organizational Psychology
- Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) Postbaccalaureate Certificate

#### Note From the Dean

“The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences degree programs are created to meet the unique needs of students. Whether students are interested in the flexibility of creating their own degree plan, applying previously earned college credit to earn their degree faster, or starting a degree from the beginning, the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences focuses on the needs of adult students in pursuing their educational, career, and personal goals.”

*Sara Sander*

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Dean and Vice President,  
College of Social and  
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#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION—PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer and gainful employment information, visit [kaplan.edu/info](http://kaplan.edu/info).

<sup>1</sup> Although certain programs at Kaplan University are designed to prepare students to take various certification or licensing exams, the University cannot guarantee the student will be eligible to sit for or pass those exams. In some cases, field experience, additional coursework, and/or background checks may be necessary to be eligible to take or to successfully pass the exams. The BACB preapproves university training as meeting its eligibility requirements; it does not accredit university programs. Students should research the requirements in the state in which they intend to seek employment.

<sup>2</sup> Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2016-2017 Edition, Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors, [www.bls.gov/ooh/life-physical-and-social-science/substance-abuse-and-behavioral-disorder-counselors.htm](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/life-physical-and-social-science/substance-abuse-and-behavioral-disorder-counselors.htm). National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.

<sup>3</sup> Kaplan University's programs are designed to prepare graduates to pursue the stated positions, which have varying responsibilities. However, Kaplan University cannot guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training or certification may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization.

<sup>4</sup> While many of Kaplan University's degree programs are designed to prepare graduates to pursue continued graduate- or doctorate-level education, the University cannot guarantee that students will be granted admission to any graduate or doctoral programs.

<sup>5</sup> Classes count toward a degree if satisfactorily completed. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period (3 weeks for undergraduate students), which begins day one of the first term. Students who choose to continue their studies at the University will need to meet specific requirements. Graduate programs not included. Additional terms may apply to international and non-U.S. citizen students. For further information, see [catalog.kaplanuniversity.edu](http://catalog.kaplanuniversity.edu) and [www.kaplanuniversity.edu/Kaplan\\_Commitment.pdf](http://www.kaplanuniversity.edu/Kaplan_Commitment.pdf). Application fee waived for campus and learning center students through December 31, 2016.

<sup>6</sup> Kaplan University does not guarantee transferability of credit from any of these sources. See the University Catalog for the Prior Learning Assessment policy.

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