PSYCHOLOGY CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

BUILD YOUR EXPERTISE IN PSYCHOLOGY. EARN A CERTIFICATE ONLINE.

Purdue University Global’s psychology certificate programs offer you the opportunity to advance your career in various areas or to prepare for future studies. Certificate programs include:

• Applied Behavior Analysis Postbaccalaureate Certificate
• Graduate Certificate in Addictions
• Graduate Certificate in Industrial/Organizational Psychology
• Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis

Whether you are a practicing professional or interested in specializing in one of these fields, build the critical knowledge and skills to help you pursue your career goals.

WHY STUDY PSYCHOLOGY AT PURDUE GLOBAL?

ONLINE FLEXIBILITY FOR WORKING ADULTS
Complete your coursework 100% online, while meeting the demands of your career. You can also visit one of our regional locations to take advantage of local, onsite support and services. The addictions certificate includes an onsite practicum, which helps you gain hands-on experience.

ONE-ON-ONE MENTORING
Work directly with faculty during online discussion boards and faculty office hours, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

REAL-WORLD, RELEVANT KNOWLEDGE
Study how to develop effective treatments and use critical-thinking skills to evaluate and diagnose the behavior and mental processes of patients, or help analyze, understand, and address workplace issues.

FACULTY EXPERTISE
Learn from psychology practitioners with extensive experience in the field. All graduate and postgraduate professors possess a doctorate degree and relevant industry credentials.
Courses are reviewed and revised continually to reflect the latest developments in the field of psychology. Certificates include:

### APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS POSTBACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE (35 CREDITS)

**Study what motivates human behavior.**

Draw upon foundational principles in the field of applied behavior analysis to provide assessments, design behavior intervention plans, and evaluate the effectiveness of treatment of children and adults with special needs. Prepare to sit for the Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst examination.  
**Prerequisite: bachelor’s degree**

### POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS (30 CREDITS)

**Expand your knowledge of behavioral disabilities.**

**Prerequisite: Graduate degree (e.g., master’s or doctoral)**

### GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN ADDICTIONS (40 CREDITS)

**Help others overcome addiction.**

Courses emphasize application and focus on chemical and psychological dependency counseling, advanced addictions counseling, group counseling, psychopharmacology, and co-occurring disorders. This program is accredited by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC, NASACAccreditation.org). Purdue Global is a NAADAC Approved Education Provider.  
**Prerequisite: bachelor’s degree**

### GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN INDUSTRIAL/ORGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY (30 CREDITS)

**Help organizations improve the quality of work life.**

Study organizational management and behavior, and develop an understanding of workplace motivation and attitudes. Coursework incorporates the latest learnings in human resources management and organizational leadership, including management, training and evaluation, employee development, and job motivation techniques. The program also offers a practicum course, which allows students to gain hands-on experience.  
**Prerequisite: bachelor’s degree**

ABAI-VERIFIED COURSE SEQUENCE

The Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) has verified the course sequence of the Applied Behavior Analysis Postbaccalaureate Certificate and Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis toward the coursework requirements for eligibility to take the Board Certified Behavior Analyst® or Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst® examination. Applicants will need to meet additional requirements before they can be deemed eligible to take the examination. Refer to the BACB’s website (www.BACB.com) for full eligibility requirements.

Refer to Catalog.PurdueGlobal.edu for complete prerequisite information.
PROGRAM DETAIL

Program Length: 8-12 months of full-time study, depending on certificate
Course Load: 2 courses per term
Terms: 10 weeks long
Start Dates: Throughout the year

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

• Master of Science in Psychology
• Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions
• Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis
• Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Industrial/Organizational Psychology

CAREER AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

INDUSTRY OUTLOOK

Help Others in Need
• Employment in the field of psychology is expected to grow as fast as average from 2019 to 2029.4
• Employment of substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors is expected to increase much faster than average during the same period, as people continue to seek addiction and mental health counseling.5

Apply Psychological Principles to the Business World
• A recent Gallup poll found that nearly 70% of American workers are “not engaged” or “actively disengaged” in their work.6 Given the growing focus on maintaining employee satisfaction and engagement to improve outcomes and productivity, HR specialists who understand the principles of I/O psychology will be needed.
• Employment of human resources specialists is projected to grow faster than average between 2019 and 2029.7

CAREER PATHWAYS AND OUTCOMES

Applied Behavior Analysis Postbaccalaureate Certificate

› Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst® (BCaBA®)*
  • Work to reduce problem behavior
  • Improve patient performance in settings such as group homes, clinics, corporations, and nonprofits
  • Develop intervention and treatment plans
  • Work as a consultant

Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis

› Board Certified Behavior Analyst® (BCBA®)*
  • Conduct descriptive and systematic behavioral assessments including functional analyses
  • Provide analytic interpretations of the results

Graduate Certificate in Addictions

› Addictions Counselor†
  • Help people who have problems with alcohol, drugs, gambling, or eating disorders
  • Counsel patients to identify the problems and behaviors associated with their addiction
  • Work with family members affected by the addictions of their loved ones

*To become certified, you will have to meet additional requirements and must pass the comprehensive exam.
†Additional certification or licensing may be required.
THE CENTER FOR CAREER ADVANCEMENT
Our team of Career Specialists connects you with job and networking opportunities and offers the following assistance:
- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Job search and networking support
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

NATIONALLY RANKED AND RESPECTED
Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue University is ranked in the top 10 best public universities in the U.S. by The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education.⑧

EMPOWER PEOPLE. DRIVE CHANGE.
The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences offers a wide breadth of graduate and undergraduate academic programs designed to develop professionals, leaders, and change agents in fields that make a difference in response to human and societal causes, issues, and needs. Our programs are designed for people with a passion for making an impact in the lives of children, individuals with special needs, organizations, and communities.

Purdue Global Is Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission
The HLC (HLCommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Military Friendly
We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit PurdueGlobal.edu.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ
For comprehensive consumer information, visit Info.PurdueGlobal.edu.
1 Purdue Global cannot guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training, certification, or licensing may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization.
2 The University cannot guarantee that students will be granted admission to any future programs.
3 The University cannot guarantee students will be eligible to sit for or pass exams. The professional practice of psychology is regulated by each state, and the degree requirements of Purdue Global’s programs do not guarantee or prepare you for licensure in any state upon graduation.
6 Gallup, State of the American Workplace, 2017
8 Source: www.timeshighereducation.com/student/best-universities/best-public-universities-united-states. Rankings apply to Purdue University West Lafayette and not to Purdue Global.