BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY IN APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS

LEARN TO ADDRESS THE BEHAVIOR AND SOCIAL ISSUES OF INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND THE COMMUNITY

Gain the skills to make a real-world difference helping others, empowering people, and driving change. Explore the design, analysis, and application of learning theories and behavioral principles to understand what motivates human behavior. Our program course sequence is verified by the Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) as meeting the coursework requirements for eligibility to take the BCaBA® exam. Prepare for a rewarding career working with children and adults struggling with a range of mental and behavioral health challenges. *
WHY STUDY PSYCHOLOGY AT PURDUE UNIVERSITY GLOBAL?

ONLINE FLEXIBILITY FOR WORKING ADULTS
Complete your coursework 100% online, on your schedule. You can also visit one of our regional locations to take advantage of local, onsite support and services.

TRANSFER CREDITS
Transfer up to 75% of your degree requirements to accelerate completion of your degree and save on tuition.¹

AFFORDABLE TUITION
Lower the cost of your education through military tuition reductions, employer reimbursement options, transfer credit, and more.² Our average bachelor’s graduate saves 44% on tuition with credit for prior learning.³

FACULTY EXPERTISE
Learn from psychology practitioners with extensive experience in the field and in higher education. All professors possess advanced academic degrees and relevant industry credentials.

ONE-ON-ONE MENTORING
Work directly with faculty through 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.

INTRODUCTORY TRIAL PERIOD
Make sure online learning at Purdue Global is right for you. Enroll in the University and try our classes for 3 weeks before you owe any tuition. That’s the Purdue Global Commitment.⁴

ADVANCE YOUR EDUCATION AND YOUR CAREER

TRAIN FOR BACB® CERTIFICATION³
Prepare to sit for the Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst® (BCaBA®) examination.

ABAI Verified Course Sequence
The Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) has verified the Purdue Global course sequence toward the coursework requirements for eligibility to take the Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst® (BCaBA®) examination. Applicants will need to meet additional requirements before they can be deemed eligible to take the examination.

ACCELERATED MASTER’S DEGREE OPTION
You can work toward a Purdue Global master’s degree in public administration, educational psychology, human services, legal studies, or psychology while you earn your bachelor’s degree.⁵ Earn up to 20 graduate credits as part of your undergraduate program to complete both degrees in less time and at a lower cost than completing the programs separately.

PUT YOUR PASSION INTO PRACTICE
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. Prepare to:
- Address complex behaviors
- Solve social problems
- Moderate relationships between individuals, family members, and/or people in the community
CURRICULUM

Our comprehensive curriculum covers the major concepts, values, theories, studies, research methods, and historical trends in psychology as they apply to human behavior, learning, and development. The courses are reviewed and revised regularly by industry experts to ensure they reflect the most recent developments in the field of psychology.

PSYCHOLOGY COURSE TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Human behavior and the environment
- Social problems
- Neuroscience
- Child and adolescent psychology
- Autism spectrum disorders in young children
- Research methods
- Personality development
- Exceptional needs children
- Clinical psychology
- Screening and assessment
- Program design and evaluation
- Abnormal psychology

Capstone Project
The program culminates in a final capstone project, which gives you the opportunity to apply the skills and concepts you study online to real-world applied behavior analysis (ABA) issues.

PROGRAM DETAIL

Credit Hours: 180

Completion Time: 2–4 years (With transfer credit and other prior experience, the average completion time for Purdue Global bachelor’s degree graduates in 2018-2019 was less than 2 years.)

Course Load: 2–3 per term

Terms: 10 weeks long

Start Dates: Throughout the year

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.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

- Master of Science in Psychology
- Bachelor of Science in Human Services in Youth/Family Services and Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions
- Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Industrial/Organizational Psychology
- Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) Postbaccalaureate Certificate
- Graduate Certificate in Industrial/Organizational Psychology
CAREER AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

INDUSTRY OUTLOOK
• Employment in this field is expected to grow much faster than average from 2018 to 2028.6
• Job prospects are expected to be very good for behavioral disorder counselors, particularly for those with a bachelor’s or master’s degree.9
• The demand for assistant behavior analysts is also increasing. Between 2014 and 2017, the annual demand for individuals with a BCaBA® certification increased from 95 job postings in 2014 to 1,040 in 2017, a 995% increase.10

CAREER PATHWAYS AND OUTCOMES11
Roles
• Applied behavior specialist
• Assistant behavior analyst
• Registered behavior technician
Settings
• Early intervention programs
• Schools
• Vocational rehabilitation programs
• Behavioral or mental health centers
• Criminal justice organizations
• Behavior therapy organizations
• In-home care

CAREER SERVICES
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

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND HONOR SOCIETIES
• Psi Chi, The International Honor Society in Psychology
• Autism Speaks U
• Psychology Club

Accredited by The Higher Learning Commission
This accreditation covers all academic programs, all regional locations, and all programs provided via distance education. Contact the HLC at HLCommission.org or call 800-621-7440.

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

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