MASTER'S DEGREE

Behavior Analysis



Turn Your Passion for Helping Others Into a Purpose-Driven Career

Salve Regina University's master's in behavior analysis is one of the few Association for Behavior Analysis International Accreditation Board (ABAI) accredited programs in the world, providing students with a clear path to a rewarding career in a rapidly growing field.

Our supportive, distinguished faculty guide students in becoming compassionate behavior analysts who who assist people in need, including people diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder, and other development disabilities.

Students in this program will build a strong foundation in behavior analysis, equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed to prepare for the Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) exam. Additionally, our practicum placements across the region provide real-world experience, preparing you to become a confident, skilled practitioner.

Upon graduation, our graduate students will:

- Use the principles of behavior analysis along with behavior-analytic research designs to conduct thorough assessments and implement effective and socially valid treatment with populations of need.
- Identify, evaluate and implement useful recommendations from behavior-analytic research.
- Discover a toolkit to become contributors and leaders in their perspective organizations and careers.
- Gain the foundational coursework and knowledge required to pursue BCBA certification.

Salve's commitment to the dignity and well-being of every individual is reflected in every aspect of our program, where compassionate practitioners are trained not just to meet the needs of their clients but to create a society where all people are uplifted and valued. If you are eager to make a significant difference, then this is the program is for you.

Advance Your Career with Accelerated and Ph.D. Options

The program offers a pathway to a Ph.D. in behavior analysis, as well as an accelerated option for Salve Regina undergraduates who wish to begin graduate-level courses in their senior year.

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DEGREE TYPES

Master's (M.S.)

PROGRAM FORMAT

In-person

14 courses (42 credits)

AVERAGE TIME TO COMPLETE

21 months

Pass Rate

93% pass rate for 2025

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Dec. 15 - priority admission

July 1 - regular admission

Feb. 15 - accelerated program admission

Scan for more information, including course requirements and how to apply.



Dr. Cody Morris

Director and assistant professor, Department of Psychology

"Our program is ABAI accredited. It's a very rigorous and standards-based accreditation process, so that is a huge indication of the quality of our program. We focus on the scientific repertoire necessary to implement effective procedures, but also develop the critical thinking skills to evaluate and adapt procedures based on clients' needs."

THE SALVE DIFFERENCE

IN HIGH DEMAND

The demand for high-quality behavior analysts is soaring. With one of the most affordable programs in the Northeast, our master's program in behavior analysis provides a pathway to upward mobility, professional advancement and enhanced career satisfaction.

LEARN BY DOING

Following a scientist-practitioner approach, Salve Regina's behavior analysis program offers exceptional opportunities to conduct mentored research, practice clinical skills in supervised settings and participate in unique hands-on experiences.

LEADING FACULTY

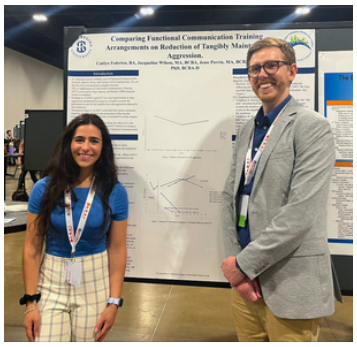
Our dedicated faculty are accomplished professionals and leading experts in the field, whose interests span the scope of behavior analysis. Their clinical expertise includes assessment and treatment of challenging behavior, skill acquisition and specialized instruction, and training and supervision.

Sofia Abuin '24, '25 (M)

Lead Behavior Technician

"The opportunities and learning experiences that I have had within the behavior analysis program have greatly impacted my academic and career goals. The learning environment that the BA faculty create is supportive and invested in meaningful skill development. Further, the courses offered encourage students to ask questions and discuss topics that go beyond class objectives. I feel prepared to sit for the exam to become a board-certified behavior analyst and continue learning to conduct behavior-analytic research."





Caitlyn Ziolkowski '23 (M)

Board-certified behavior analyst

"Salve's program in behavior analysis provided me with opportunities to work with multiple BCBAs with diverse skill sets which allowed me to learn from dedicated individuals who all had different backgrounds to expand my education. The practicum experience allowed me the privilege to obtain a wide range of clinical experience to better prepare me for writing my own plans and goals. The classes also touched upon topics that can often be over looked and provided me with a good foundation of knowledge to build my skills off of."

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