

DOCTORATE DEGREE

Behavior Analysis



**SALVE REGINA
UNIVERSITY**



DEGREE TYPES

Doctorate (Ph.D.)



**DOCTORAL PROGRAM
FORMAT**

In Person
Evening Classes

26 Courses
(78 Credits)

*Applicants with a master's degree in behavior analysis may be eligible to waive some credit requirements.



**AVERAGE TIME
TO COMPLETE**

5-6 Years

*Shorter durations are expected when credit requirements are waived.



**APPLICATION
DEADLINE**

Dec. 15 - Priority admission
May 1 - Regular admission

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



Elevate the Standard for Behavior Analysis

Behavior analysis is a rapidly growing profession with continuously evolving opportunities for professional development. The Ph.D. in behavior analysis at Salve Regina University exemplifies purpose-driven and transformative education, all while fostering compassionate mercy leadership that strives towards respect and dignity for all.

Our doctoral program provides a high-touch educational experience that will optimize each student's outcomes while maintaining academic rigor and emphasizing experiential learning through coursework, practicum and the dissertation phase. Students will conduct research and provide services to help address societal issues, including helping individuals with developmental disabilities to increase their autonomy and independence.

Students who complete this terminal degree meet the qualifications to become a Board Certified Behavior Analyst-Doctoral, and are highly equipped for advanced clinical research and teaching positions.

Upon graduation, our Ph.D. students will:

- Demonstrate mastery of behavior-analytic research design and methodology
- Demonstrate a mastery of the basic science (i.e., experimental roots) and philosophical underpinnings of behavior analysis
- Apply behavior-analytic concepts and principles while conducting research
- Demonstrate the ability to teach and translate behavior-analytic material to diverse audiences
- Demonstrate the ability to supervise behavior-analytic research and clinical services in diverse settings



Dr. Cody Morris

Director and assistant professor, Department of Psychology

“More BCBA-Ds are needed in the profession of behavior analysis to help it continue to thrive. Salve Regina’s Ph.D. program helps students gain the leadership, research and advanced clinical skills needed to flourish as leaders and impact meaningful change in behavior-analytic organizations and the field. Our program provides a high-touch educational experience that optimizes each student’s outcome while maintaining academic rigor and emphasizing experiential learning through coursework, practicum and the dissertation phase.”

THE SALVE DIFFERENCE

ADVANCE YOUR CAREER

The demand for high-quality behavior analysts is soaring. With one of the most affordable programs in the Northeast, our Ph.D. 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.

DEDICATED FACULTY

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

Megan Ellsworth '23, '24 (M)

Board-certified behavior analyst

“Salve Regina’s behavior analysis program has provided me with countless opportunities for personal and educational growth. I’ve had the opportunity to assist professors in conducting research, I’ve presented at international conferences and I’ve been able to work on my own research conducting a thesis project.”



Jacob Oliveira '23 (M)

Board-certified behavior analyst

“I have been taught and supervised by some of the most compassionate, curious, and hardworking individuals I’ve ever met. The faculty within Salve Regina’s behavior analysis program don’t just talk the talk—they consistently walk the walk. I’ve seen professors personally visit clinical sites to assist with complex cases, going above and beyond to support both students and clients. These experiences have truly prepared me to help others lead happier, more fulfilling lives. I am incredibly grateful that my path led me to Salve’s behavior analysis program, and I will always value the knowledge, mentorship, and real-world preparation I received here.”



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