

## Cover Sheet: Request 12229

### Behavior Analysis

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# Specialization|New for request 12229

## Info

**Request:** Behavior Analysis

**Description of request:** Create a new specialization within the psychology major.

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## Responses

**Degree Program** Psychology

**CIP Code** 42.0101

**Major Name** Psychology

**Major Code** PSY

**Degree Type** BS

**Existing Specializations** General Psychology

Behavioral and Cognitive Neuroscience

**Name of Proposed Specialization** Behavior Analysis

**Code(s)** BA

**Credits** 36

**Students** 30-50

**Effective Term** Earliest Available

**Effective Year** 2018

**Percentage of Credits Available Fully Online** <50%

**Percentage of Credits Available Off-Campus** <25%

**Rationale for Proposed Specialization** The University of Florida has a Behavior Analysis Certification Board (BACB©) verified course sequence that prepares students to sit for the Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst (BCaBA©) exam after graduation. Students who complete the Behavior Analysis (BA) specialization will meet the coursework requirement to qualify for the exam. There is considerable and growing market demand for professionals with a BCaBA© credential in the State of Florida and across the U.S. Students completing the BA specialization will have an advantage in applying for graduate school in Behavior Analysis and related disciplines (e.g., education, OT), and in applying to jobs that require a bachelor's degree and a BCaBA© credential. Many peer institutions offer specialization programs in psychology, but none offer a BA specialization. The University of Florida has a unique strength in BA faculty, and therefore can initiate and sustain a BA specialization. As a result of developing this specialization, all psychology majors will have expanded and enhanced opportunities for experiential learning in community-based practicum sites, in addition to active research in BA clinics/laboratories on campus. It will also broaden the range of career possibilities available with a bachelor's degree in psychology, and graduate placement in advanced academic study. There is no overlap with existing majors on campus, but students in other majors will be served by having BA specialization coursework available to them (e.g., in education).

**Impacts on Other Programs** No impact is expected on course work. Faculty and graduate students currently teach all required coursework. Practical experience is available in campus-based BA clinics/laboratories, and off-site in community clinics

# Behavior Analysis

## [Critical Tracking Model Semester Plan](#)

### Required Coursework

Students in the behavior analysis specialization are required to complete 36 credits of psychology coursework with minimum grades of C. At least 30 of the 36 credits must be at the 3000-level or above.

- 3 credits, introductory level: PSY 2012 General Psychology (or equivalent, such as a general psychology course taken elsewhere or credit by exam for PSY 2012 via AP, IB, AICE).
- 12 credits, behavior analysis courses:
  - EAB3002
  - EAB3764
  - EAB4184
  - EAB4930
- 3 credits, laboratory course: PSY 3213L Laboratory Methods in Psychology
- 4 credits, laboratory course: EAB4714C Laboratory in Applied Behavior Analysis
- 14 credits additional psychology courses: Students must choose additional 3000/4000-level psychology courses to meet the 36-credit minimum requirement (with the exception that three credits of 2000-level courses can count toward this requirement). In addition, up to nine credits of individual work courses will count toward the 36-credit minimum requirement. Students can also take designated courses in the Women's Studies as part of the 14 elective credits (WST 3323, WST3371, WST4704)..

Students who wish to transfer courses in psychology toward the major must see an advisor in the department for approval.

### Related Coursework

**Statistics:** STA 2023 Introduction to Statistics 1 and STA 3024 Introduction to Statistics 2 are also required. STA 2023 is a prerequisite for some 4000-level psychology and laboratory courses. STA 3024 must be taken before or concurrently with any specialized psychology laboratory, and it also counts toward the CLAS requirement of 3000-level electives not in the major.

**Mathematics:** Proficiency through precalculus is required. MAC 1147 Precalculus: Algebra and Trigonometry (or higher course) will meet this requirement. The combination of MAC 1114 Trigonometry and MAC 1140 Precalculus Algebra may be substituted for MAC 1147.

**Biological Science:** BSC 2005 Biological Sciences or BSC 2010 Integrated Principles of Biology 1 is required.

All majors are encouraged to see a psychology advisor in 135 Psychology Building. No appointments are necessary and walk-ins are welcome. [Advising office hours](#)

Most of the foundation-level courses and the laboratory methods course are offered each semester. Special topic and other advanced courses are offered less frequently. Fewer courses are offered in summer.

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## Critical Tracking

Critical Tracking records each student's progress in courses that are required for entry to each major. Please note the critical-tracking requirements below on a per-semester basis.

**For degree requirements outside of the major, refer to CLAS Degree Requirements: [Structure of a CLAS Degree](#).**

Equivalent critical-tracking courses as determined by the State of Florida [Common Course Prerequisites](#) may be used for transfer students.

The following critical-tracking courses are required:

- BSC 2005 or BSC 2010 Biological Sciences or Biology Principles 1
- MAC 1147 or MAC 1140 and MAC 1114 Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry
- PSY 2012 General Psychology
- PSY 3213L Laboratory Methods in Psychology
- STA 2023 Introduction to Statistics 1

Although not required in the first five semesters, additional psychology courses taken in semesters 1-5 count toward the critical-tracking GPA for the major.

### Semester 1

- Complete MAC 1140 or MAC 1147
- 2.4 UF GPA required

### Semester 2

- Complete PSY 2012; if MAC 1140 is taken in semester 1, MAC 1114 must be taken semester 2
- 2.6 UF GPA required

### Semester 3

- Complete 2 critical-tracking courses from BSC 2005 or BSC 2010, STA 2023 or PSY 3213L with a 2.6 critical-tracking GPA  
*Students should take PSY 3213L in semester 3 or 4 before taking any additional 3000-level or above psychology courses.*
- 2.7 UF GPA required

### Semester 4

- Complete BSC 2005 or BSC 2010 and STA 2023 (if not previously taken) with a 2.75 critical-tracking GPA
- 2.8 UF GPA required

### Semester 5

- Complete PSY 3213L (if not previously taken) with 2.75 critical-tracking GPA.  
Additional Psychology courses taken in semesters 1-5 are included in the critical-tracking GPA.
- 2.8 UF GPA required

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## Model Semester Plan

Students are expected to complete the writing requirement while in the process of taking the courses below. Students are also expected to complete the general education international (GE-N) and diversity (GE-D) requirements concurrently with another general education requirement (typically, GE-C, H or S).

*This semester plan represents an example progression through the major. Actual courses and course order may be different depending on the student's academic record and scheduling availability of courses. Prerequisites still apply.*

Semester 1	Credits
IUF 1000 What is the Good Life <i>GE-H</i>	3
MAC 1147 Precalculus: Algebra and Trigonometry <a href="#">State Core GE-M</a>	4
Foreign language	4-5
Physical Science <i>GE-P</i>	3
Total	14-15
<b>Semester 2</b>	<b>Credits</b>

PSY 2012 General Psychology <i>State Core GE-S</i>	3
Composition <i>State Core GE-C; WR</i>	3
Elective	3
Foreign language	3-5
Humanities <i>State Core GE-H</i>	3
Total	15-17

Semester 3	Credits
BSC 2005 Biological Sciences <i>or</i> BSC 2010 Integrated Principles of Biology 1 <i>State Core GE-B</i>	3
PSY 3213L Laboratory Methods in Psychology	3
Electives <i>3 credits of foreign language if 4-3-3 option</i>	3
Behavior Analysis Course: EAB3002 <i>or EAB3764</i>	3
Humanities <i>GE-H</i>	3
Total	15

Semester 4	Credits
STA 2023 Introduction to Statistics 1 <i>GE-M</i>	3
Elective	3
Behavior Analysis Course: EAB3002 <i>or EAB3764</i>	3
Psychology Elective	3
Physical Science <i>GE-P</i>	3
Total	15

Semester 5	Credits
Composition <i>GE-C; WR</i>	3
Behavior Analysis Course: EAB 4714	3-4

Or EAB4184	
Psychology course elective	3
Electives	6
Total	15

Semester 6	Credits
STA 3024 Introduction to Statistics 2 <i>GE-M; counts as a 3000-level or above elective, not in the major</i>	3
Electives <i>3000 level or above, not in major</i>	6
Behavior Analysis Course: EAB 4714 or EAB 4184	3-4
Total	15-16

Semester 7	Credits
Psychology Electives	6
Electives <i>3000 level or above, not in major</i>	6
Behavior Analysis Course: EAB4930	3
Total	15

Semester 8	Credits
Behavior Analysis Course EAB4930	3
Elective <i>3000 level or above, not in major</i>	3
Psychology Elective	2
Electives	6
Total	14