Expected Outcomes: Proficiency in academic content of ABA

Students will demonstrate verbal proficiency in behavioral principles, behavioral assessment and treatment, single-case research methods, behavior theory, behavioral pharmacology, autism and intellectual disabilities, and professional ethics.

Assessment methods

Method: GPA

Examine GPA in academic courses only. At least 93% of students will complete the one-year curriculum with at least a 3.0 GPA in the program's didactic courses.

Findings:

100% (12/12) of students completed the one-year curriculum with at least a 3.0 GPA in the program’s didactic courses.

How did you use findings for improvement?

No changes in the course curriculum are needed. These courses continue to be approved by the BACB (Behavior Analyst Certification Board) and be valuable to the students’ training.

Additional comments:

None.

Expected Outcomes: Applied Skills - Service Delivery

Students will acquire a broad range of applied skills in using all aspects of established behavior analysis procedures with individuals with developmental disabilities in service delivery settings.

Assessment methods

Method: Practicum Performance

At least 93% of students will acquire at least 750 hours of intensive, supervised practicum experience and earn at least a 3.0 GPA in the program’s practicum courses. At least 93% of students will receive performance ratings meeting the criterion for each semester (Fall = average score 2; Spring/Summer = average score 2.25/3).

Findings:

100% (12/12) of students acquired at least 750 hours of intensive, supervised practicum experience, earned at least a 3.0 GPA in the program’s practicum courses, and met the performance ratings criterion for each semester.

How did you use findings for improvement?

None needed. However, based on qualitative feedback, we have added a school consultation experience for students’ training. Based on the current practicum sites, it is expected that the students will easily acquire the 750 hours during the academic year.

Additional comments:
Expected Outcomes: Capstone - Clinical Integration

Through the capstone project, students will demonstrate their ability to integrate a client's assessment and treatment needs with the existing empirical literature by completing a portfolio of 8 projects throughout the year. The students will also clearly present one of the projects in the portfolio in oral form.

Assessment methods

**Method**: Capstone Paper and Presentation

At least 93% of students will submit 8 acceptably written portfolio projects and competently deliver an oral presentation of one of the projects to the program faculty and students.

**Findings**:

100% (12/12) of students submitted an acceptable capstone portfolio of all 8 projects and competently delivered their oral capstone-project presentation.

**How did you use findings for improvement?**

We are in the process of a two-year evaluation of the capstone project (the capstone project was changed this year). Based on the current results and qualitative positive feedback from students, we do not anticipate any major changes to the capstone project for the 2012-2013 academic year.

**Additional comments**:

None

Expected Outcomes: Competencies - BACB Task List

Students will demonstrate proficiency in 60 verbal and practical skills sampled from the expert-derived Task List of the national Behavior Analyst Certification Board.

Assessment methods

**Method**: Competency Tests

At least 93% of students will demonstrate each skill in a one-on-one test administered by a Board Certified Behavior Analyst employed by the program.

**Findings**:

100% (12/12) of students demonstrated proficiency in every skill on the Task List.

**How did you use findings for improvement?**

No additional changes are needed.

**Additional comments**:

None

Expected Outcomes: Certification - BACB Exam

Students will acquire sufficient verbal and practical repertoires such that they are able to pass the national Board Certified Behavior Analyst exam immediately after graduation.
Assessment methods

Method: National Certification Exam

At least 93% of students from the PRIOR graduating class will pass the certification exam (data to be reported to the program by the Board).

Findings:

100% of the students from the PRIOR graduating class passed the certification exam.

How did you use findings for improvement?

None needed.

Additional comments:

None