

Master of Education Leading to Massachusetts INITIAL LICENSURE and Eligibility to Sit for the BCBA Examination

# Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities & Applied Behavior Analysis



For licensure: 48 credits preK-8, 51 credits 5-8, 4-5 terms full-time • Non-licensure: 40 credits, 3-4 terms full-time

- Program approved by the Mass. Dept. of Elementary & Secondary Education
- BCBA course sequence approved by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board.

The **TEACHER of STUDENTS WITH MODERATE DISABILITIES & APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS** program offers a unique opportunity for educators to become licensed special educators and certified behavior analysts. The program prepares special educators and behavior analysts to be caring and competent in the classroom with the essential and critical skills to understand the use of diverse curriculum design and development and also provide all the services necessary to implement behavior plans in schools. Graduates are prepared to become highly motivated educators who are practitioners of educational innovation, and meet the regulations for licensure of Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities (preK-8 and 5-12). They are prepared to take the exams required by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board.

**Outcomes** — Graduates demonstrate the knowledge, skills and values necessary to enable their students to excel academically and socially. They understand how moderate disabilities affect progress in learning academic content of the general curriculum that their non-disabled peers learn. They understand their responsibility to provide strategies for their students to access the regular education curriculum. They are also prepared to become behavior analysts upon completion of the BACB exam.

**Careers** — Students who complete this program will be eligible for licensure to teach in grades Pre-K-12 as a co-teacher, a consulting teacher or a teacher of record in resource room settings. They will also be able to become certified behavior analysts with a teaching license, creating opportunities for multiple opportunities for employment in fields which are in extremely high demand.

## Special Education

PreK-8: 25 credits

**Courses** ..... 5-12: 28 credits

All courses @ 3 credits except as noted:

ELE500	Teaching Phonological & Phonemic Awareness & Phonics (0 credit) . . . . .	every term
ESP592	Adapting Materials for Students w/Disabilities in Gen Ed Classrooms (1 credit) . . . . .	every term
ESP594	Collab & Consultation Technq (2 credits) . . . . .	every term
ESP662	Principles of Language Dev Bridging Differences & Disorders. . . . .	Summer, Fall
ESP689	Theories of Typical & Atypical Human Development . . . . .	Summer, Fall
ESP607	Psycho-Educational Assessment for Teaching Exceptional Children. . . . .	Summer, Spring
ESP615	Assistive Technology: Modifying Curric for Diverse Learners . . . . .	Summer, Spring
ESP680	Pedagogy in Reading & Eng Lang Arts . . . . .	Summer, Spring
MAT708	Diagnosis & Remediation of Learning Problems in Math . . . . .	Spring, Summer
ESP800	Independent Learning Project (2 credits) . . . . .	Spring
ESP705	Applied Behavior Analysis Fluency Seminar (1 credit). . . . .	Summer
ESP698	Laws and Regulations Pertaining to Behavioral Intervention and ABA (1 credit) . . . . .	Spring

### One additional course for 5-12:

SCI680	Attaining Science Literacy. . . . .	once/year
or ESP636	Teaching Social Science, History and Multicultural Education in Grades 5-12 . . . . .	Fall

Course schedule for Cambridge, subject to change.

## BCBA Course Sequence..... 18 credits

- All courses @ 45 contact hours.
- Courses **must** be taken in the order delineated below.

ESP622	Basic Applied Behavior Analysis (ASD) . . . . .	Fall 1
ESP726	Advanced Applied Behavior Analysis (ASD). . . . .	Spring 1
ESP724	Research Design and Ethics in the Application of Applied Behavior Analysis (ASD) . . . . .	Fall 2
ESP704	Ethics and Professionalism in Applied Behavior Analysis . . . . .	Fall 2
ESP722	Clinical Applications of Applied Behavior Analysis (ASD) . . . . .	Spring 2
ESP723	Implementing Behavior Analysis in Educational Settings (ASD) . . . . .	Spring 2



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## Practicum Prerequisites

- Pass all teacher tests required by the state for this license. Massachusetts MTELS:
  - PreK-8:** Communications and Literacy, General Curriculum (multi-subject + math subtest (Elementary Math (53), Middle School Math (47) or Mathematics (09) will also meet the math subtest requirement.) + Foundations of Reading (Reading (08) will also meet this requirement.). In addition, a Competency Review is required for a Preliminary license.
  - 5-12:** Those seeking this license for 5-12 must take and pass the Communications and Literacy, Foundations of Reading and pass either the General Curriculum test or a subject matter test in one of the following academic subjects: English, mathematics, science (biology, chemistry, earth science, general science, and physics), history, middle school humanities, middle school mathematics/science, or political science/political philosophy at the 5-8 or 8-12 grade level.
- SEI605 Sheltered English Immersion (3 additional credits) or MA DESE-endorsed course or SEI MTEL.
- Pre-Practicum — 75 hours embedded in courses, in diverse settings (0 credit)
- Pass all required courses.

## Practicum: Moderate Disabilities

(licensure students only) . . . . . 5 credits

Guided and evaluated by a licensed/certified special educator in the classroom and by a licensed/certified Cambridge College supervisor. Practicum locations are subject to state regulations and are to be approved by the program coordinator or regional site director.

**ESP790A Practicum (PreK-8) — 300 hours** in an inclusive general education setting or 75 hours in an inclusive general education setting and 225 in a separate or substantially separate setting for students with moderate disabilities. (3 credits) . . . . . Fall, Spring  
**or**

**ESP790B Practicum (5-12) — 300 hours** in an inclusive general education classroom or 150 hours in an inclusive general education classroom and 150 hours in a separate setting for students with moderate disabilities. (3 credits) . . . . . Fall, Spring

**ESP791 Practicum Seminar** (2 credits) . . . . . Fall, Spring  
Exit Performance Portfolio required for credit.

**Admissions requirements:** Bachelor's degree and other general requirements.

**Matriculation:** All new students must register for the non-licensure option until they pass the MA Communication & Literacy Test (MTEL).

**Non-licensure option:** All program components are required except the Practicum, Practicum Seminar and teacher tests. Non-licensure students must complete all pre-practicum hours embedded in the courses.

**Cambridge College offers this program in collaboration with the Evergreen Center and Beacon Services.** The Evergreen Center is a residential treatment center and school serving students diagnosed with autism and related developmental disabilities. Beacon Services is a private practice of behavioral educators founded on applied behavioral analysis principles.

### Students are responsible for:

- Monitoring and understanding the requirements set by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board and for ensuring that their program of study complies with all requirements for BCBA certification.
- Discussing options for licensure practicum with the program chair or regional site director prior to enrollment.

In addition, graduates must pass the BCBA examination to become a Board Certified Behavior Analyst.

**Satisfactory academic progress** — All students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 or be placed on academic probation.

**Program and course schedule subject to change.**

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