



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, M.S.

IMPROVE

Your Community

PROVIDE

Care and Support

ADVANCE

Your Career

The Master of Science in Applied Behavior Analysis (MSABA) at Mount St. Mary's University provides comprehensive training in the principles and application of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA). Graduates are empowered to create socially significant improvement in individuals' lives. Further, through coursework, supervised fieldwork and a capstone research project, graduates are prepared for numerous professional paths including direct clinical care, school-based intervention and/or doctoral studies.

DESIGNED FOR THE WORKING ADULT

Flexibility and efficiency are the cornerstones of graduate programs at the Mount, which is designed to give you the freedom and control to balance work and school. Every aspect of the program is geared to help you earn your degree including:

1. Course times that are designed not to interfere with traditional work hours.
2. Classes that meet only once a week during the academic year and twice a week in the summer.
3. Classroom instruction that can be received via Zoom.
4. A full-time course sequence that can be completed in less than two years.
5. A part-time course sequence is available.





"As an Applied Behavior Analyst, I need to be a leader when I'm working with families, students and teachers – I'm the one that they're looking to for answers – I have to be confident. I learned that at the Mount."

Sara Polgar, C'09

**Board Certified
Behavior Analyst**

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The program provides 36-credit hours of explicit instruction in behavior analysis, including research design, behavioral measurement, assessment and treatment of behavior, as well as ethical practice and supervision. You will receive the training and supervised field experiences necessary to advance your career by qualifying to take the certification exam. Further, by learning and practicing ABA simultaneously, you will be prepared for a successful career as a behavior analyst. Finally, with the training and knowledge imparted by the MSABA program, you will have the capacity to meaningfully contribute to your community.

In addition to courses that hone your technical expertise in ABA, the program recognizes the need to support students long before they enter the profession to effectively navigate the complexity of a career. Therefore, students also have the opportunity to take three 1-credit courses in self-care or technology facilitation.

- The **self-care option** includes 1-credit courses in contemplative practices, collaboration and advocacy in order to ensure that ABA candidates acquire the resilience and persistence necessary to sustain in the profession.
- The **technology facilitation option** includes 1-credit courses designed to support ABA candidates in utilizing instructional technology in their professional roles.

TUITION, FEES AND FINANCIAL AID

The Mount offers an excellent value compared to other programs in the region. Tuition for the current academic year is available online at msmary.edu/aba and includes all fees.

- Cost is based on 36 credits at \$685 per credit.

Students may seek financial assistance through the following opportunities:

- Federal and state funded programs
- Private loan providers
- Employer tuition remission or reimbursement
- Deferral of undergraduate loans

VETERANS BENEFITS

The Mount is certified for the GI Bill and Yellow Ribbon Program. These federal initiatives help reduce the cost of school for veterans, their spouses and children.

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