

BEHAVIOR ANALYST CERTIFICATION BOARD®

Status and New Developments

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BACB Background

- Nonprofit Corporation (*not a membership organization*)
- Founded in 1998
- Certification programs accredited by
 - National Council for Certifying Agencies



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- American Academy of Health Care Providers in the Addictive Disorders
- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Program
- American Board for Occupational Health Nurses
- American Board for Transplant Certification
- American College of Sports Medicine
- American Midwifery Certification Board
- American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers
- American Registry of Radiologic Technologists
- Board of Pharmacy Specialties
- Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification
- National Association of Forensic Counselors
- National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy
- National Board for Certified Counselors

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BACB Board of Directors

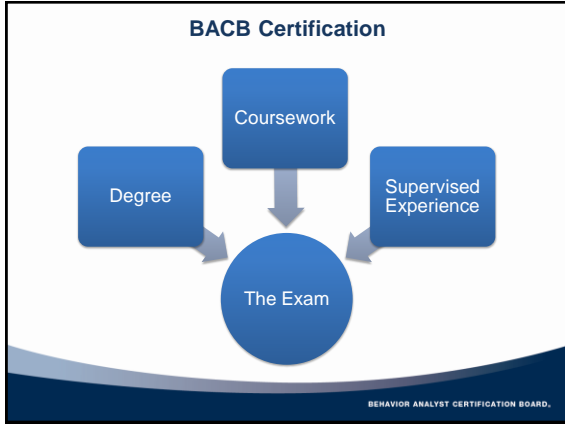
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Contracted Services

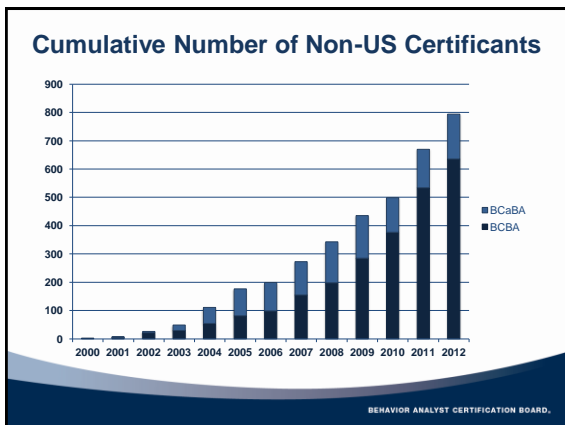
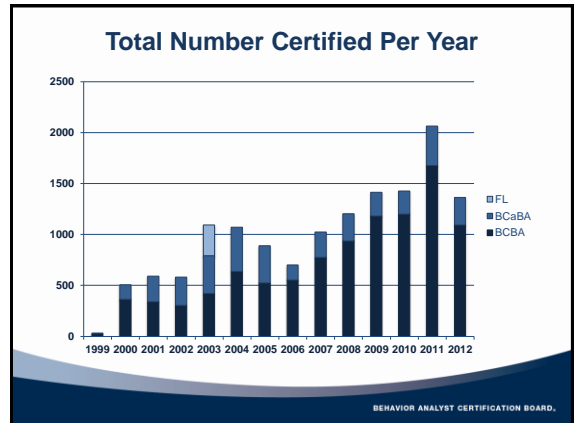
- Professional Testing: Fae Mellichamp
 - Psychometrics & Examination Development
 - Job Task Analysis & Translations
- Pearson VUE
 - Worldwide Secure CBT Examination Administration
 - 200 US Testing Sites, 150 Non-US Sites
 - 4-Week Windows - January, May, September

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Data

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Current Non-US Certificants

Australia	19	Hungary	1	Qatar	1
Bahamas	1	Iceland	3	Romania	5
Bahrain	1	India	10	Saudi Arabia	11
Belize	1	Ireland	58	Singapore	2
Bermuda	2	Israel	62	South Korea	10
Brazil	1	Italy	16	Spain	1
Bulgaria	1	Jamaica	1	Sweden	6
Canada	348	Japan	5	Switzerland	5
China	2	Jordan	1	Taiwan	8
Colombia	3	Kuwait	2	Thailand	1
Costa Rica	1	Mexico	1	The Netherlands	3
Cyprus	3	New Zealand	20	UK: England	83
France	13	Norway	1	UK: N Ireland	20
Germany	9	Peru	1	UK: Scotland	5
Greece	2	Poland	4	UK: Wales	13
Hong Kong	15	Portugal	1	United Arab Emirates	11

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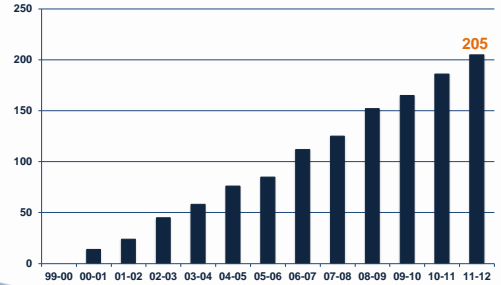
Approved Course Sequences



- Pre-approved sequences of required coursework in behavior analysis
- 90% of applicants qualify with ACS courses
- 79 ACSs with Approved University Experience

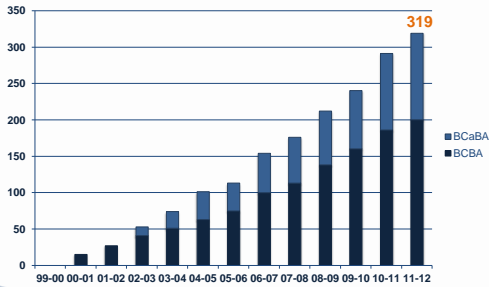
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Cumulative Institutions with ACSs



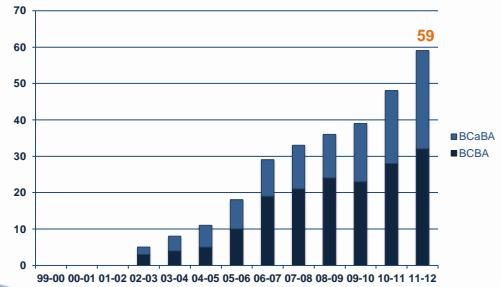
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Cumulative Course Sequences



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Cumulative Non-US Course Sequences



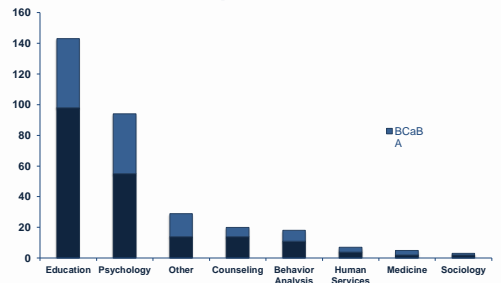
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Current Non-US Universities with ACSs

Canada	7	Romania	1
China	1	Russia	3
Croatia	1	Saudia Arabia	1
Finland	1	South Korea	2
France	1	Spain	2
Ireland	5	Sweden	1
Israel	3	Taiwan	2
Italy	1	UK – England	1
New Zealand	2	UK – Northern Ireland	1
Norway	1	UK – Wales	4
Poland	1	TOTAL	44
Portugal	2		

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Course Sequences per Academic Department

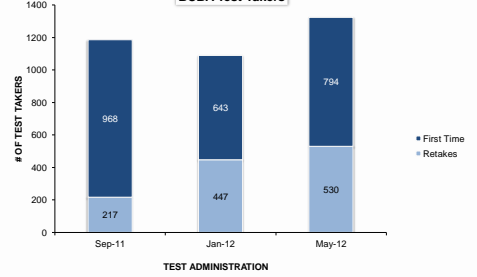


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The Exam

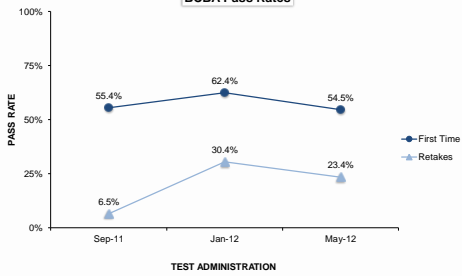
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BCBA Test Takers



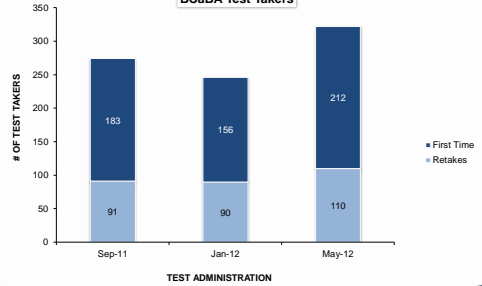
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BCBA Pass Rates



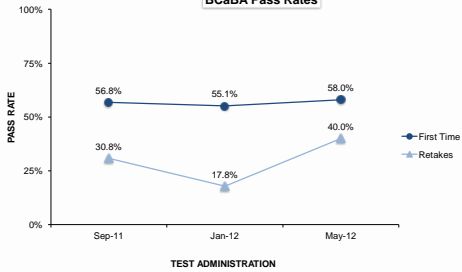
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BCaBA Test Takers



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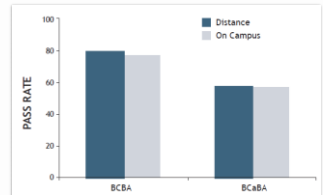
BCaBA Pass Rates



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Distance Learning vs. On-Campus ACSs

- 44 Distance
- 275 On-Campus



Pass rates for applicants taking the BCBA and BCaBA exams during the April/May 2010, September 2010, and January 2011 administration windows by program type (distance vs. on campus).

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Developments

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4th Edition Task List - New Course Requirements

- Revision of Coursework Eligibility Requirements
 - Increase of 45 hours for BCBA : 225 --> 270 (5 --> 6 courses)
 - Increase of 45 hours for BCaBA : 135 --> 180 (3 --> 4 courses)
- Revision of Course Content Allocation
 - Increase to 45 hours of BCBA Ethics and Professional Conduct
 - Increase to 15 hours of BCaBA Ethics and Professional Conduct

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4th Edition Task List - Timeline



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Ongoing Initiatives

- Foster Certification Recognition
 - State Licensure (e.g., OK, AZ, NV, KY, WI, MO, ND, VA)
 - Work with ABAI, APBA, States, and Countries (e.g., right to practice)
 - Autism Insurance Legislation – Autism Speaks
 - Consultation with Insurance Companies

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Ongoing Initiatives

- International Development
 - Spanish and Chinese translation (May, 2012)
 - Additional languages being considered
 - Presentations & consultation outside of the US
- Improve functionality of Gateway interface & BACB.com
- Clarification of BACB policies

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Top 6 Misconceptions about the BACB

1. The BACB is chiefly motivated by financial concerns.
2. The BACB does not take disciplinary action against certificants.
3. Most applicants for BACB certification obtain their coursework via online programs.
4. The BACB's examinations are norm-referenced, not criterion-referenced.
5. The Association of Professional Behavior Analysts (APBA) was founded by the BACB.
6. The BACB's standards for certification are too low and have remain unchanged.

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Increasing Standards

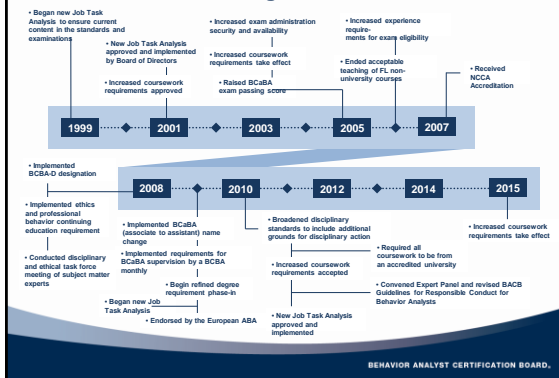


“ Steady, cumulative improvement.”

- Dr. Jerry Shook
Founder, BACB

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BACB Progress Timeline



BACB Progress ... the BCBA Credential

In the Beginning ...

Today

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2012 Workgroups

- Supervision Task Force
 - Survey of supervision practices with APBA - *complete*
 - In-person meeting of Subject Matter Experts - *complete*
 - Board of Directors approval - *complete*
 - Implementation - *pending*
- Standards Workgroup
 - In-person meeting of Subject Matter Experts - *complete*
 - Board of Directors approval - *pending*
- Technician-level credential (early Fall)

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Registry Changes

- BACB Newsletter will now be emailed to all certificants
- All certificants will now appear in the online Certificant Registry
- You may still:
 - opt-out of third-party communications
 - disable email contact through the registry

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The Michael Hemingway Behavior Analysis Award

- 2006 – Saul Axelrod
- 2007 – Sigrid Glenn
- 2008 – Lorri Unumb
- 2009 – Fran Warkomski
- 2010 – Richard Blumenthal
- 2011 – Greg Wagner



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The Michael Hemingway Behavior Analysis Award

2012 – Dr. Jerry Shook



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Thank you.

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