

New Graduate Certificate Program



UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

State University of New York

## Certificate of Graduate Studies in Autism Spectrum Disorders

Are you interested in creating lasting positive behavior change? Would you like to develop professionally after you have completed your bachelor's degree in psychology, education or other area addressing learning and behavioral change? If you stated "yes" to both questions, you might want to consider becoming licensed as a Certified Behavior Analyst Assistant I (CBAA) in New York State to provide behavioral health treatment to individuals with autism spectrum disorders.

UAlbany will be offering a *Certificate of Graduate Studies in Autism* starting in Fall 2017. The certificate program will consist of a three-course sequence providing the credit bearing coursework to fully meet the education requirement and partially meet the supervised experience requirement necessary for admission to the licensing examination for Certified Behavior Analyst Assistant (CBAA) with the NYS Education Department.

This certificate program will focus on the characteristics of autism spectrum disorders and the science of applied behavior analysis. Empirically-validated techniques used to treat individuals with autism, as well as cultural, ethical, and practical issues, will be highlighted. Students enrolled in the program will complete the following courses:

- PSY 519 – Autism I: Introduction to the Science of Behavior and Applied Behavior Analysis
- PSY 520 – Autism II: Introduction to Intervention
- PSY 521 – Autism III: Practicum in Intervention

Potential students for the program must already possess a bachelor's degree (or higher) in one of the following fields: Applied Behavior Analysis, Education, Human Development, Psychology, Social Work or a related field (which addresses learning and behavioral changes).

To apply for the Certificate of Graduate Studies in Autism, please submit:

- \$75 application fee with online application by April 1, 2017
- Statement of Background/Goals
- Resume/CV
- Official Transcript(s)

More information and an online application can be found here:

<http://www.albany.edu/graduate/autism-certificate.php>

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