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TIBI Primary Curricula



Academic programs to train behaviorologists and to enhance the cultural contributions of behaviorology





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The by-laws of The International Behaviorology Institute (TIBI) promote a scientific "Behavior Literacy graduation requirement of appropriate content and depth at all levels of educational institutions from kin-

dergarten through university." For this to be possible, and to ensure that behaviorology makes its full contributions to humanity, society needs many more behaviorologists with complete training. The purpose of TIBI is to help achieve these goals.

The Institute operates within the framework of American higher education. This system has the four basic degree levels of Associate, Baccalaureate, Masters, and Doctorate. Within this overall structure, the Institute runs several certificate programs. The organization of these programs stresses the importance of using the instructional design and technology derived from behaviorological science, and the administrative arrangements supported by this science, in the teaching of the comprehensive behaviorology discipline.

The Institute's programs are designed to deliver comprehensive training in the foundations and practices of behaviorologists. The programs serve a number of audiences including (a) those who wish only to fulfill a Behavior Literacy graduation requirement, (b) those who are majoring in behaviorology at the AA,

BA, or graduate level, and (c) those professionals who are working or studying in one or another human service or human development field.

The BLC. For minimal behaviorology training, completion of the first two courses (Introduction to Behaviorology I and II) in





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Course Requirements for Primary Certificates

Behavior Literacy Certificate (BLC):

- * Introduction to Behaviorology I.
- * Introduction to Behaviorology II.
- * The Behaviorology of Child Care Practices.

Associate Certificate:

- * The Behavior Literacy courses (above).
- Behaviorology and Culture.
- Readings in Behaviorology: Skinner's Later Writings.



Baccalaureate Level Behaviorology Certificate (BLBC):

- * The Associate Certificate courses (above).
- * Advanced Behaviorology I.
- **※** Behaviorology in Education.
- * The Teaching of Behaviorology.
- * Experimental Behaviorology: A Survey.
- * Verbal Behavior I.
- ℧ Behavior Technology: A Survey.
- * Two Elective courses.
- * Personal Project or Professional Paper.

Professional Certificate:

- * The Associate Certificate courses (above).
- * Advanced Behaviorology I.
- ⋆ Two Elective courses.
- * Professional Paper.

Graduate Level Programs:

With the BLBC as a prerequisite, a Masters level certificate requires nine or ten courses in a pattern similar to the following (some of these courses overlap the courses in the other certificate programs such that a person who already holds a certificate can request consultations on the possibility of organizing a Masters level certificate program tailored to their circumstances):

- ₹ Verbal Behavior II.
- * A research methods course.
- * An experimental research course.
- * One fieldwork course.
- * One seminar course.
- * Three to five elective courses.
- * Master's level thesis or project.

Doctoral level programs are tailored individually. All these courses, and others, are described in an article on pages 173–186 of the book: Ledoux, S.F. (2002). *Origins and Components of Behaviorology—Second Edition*. Canton, NY: ABCs (ISBN: 1–882508–08–4).



any of these programs, plus the Behaviorology of Child Care Practices course, would satisfy a higher education Behavior Literacy graduation requirement and so earn a *Behavior Literacy Certificate*. The third course is especially important for it ties behaviorology to a vital component of the daily life of virtually every person, behaviorologist or not.

The ABC. The first program of more advanced training in behaviorology leads to the *Associate of Behaviorology Certificate* (the ABC,

or simply the "Associate Certificate").



The PSBC. The second program of more advanced behaviorology training leads to the *Professional Studies in Behaviorology Certificate*

(the PSBC, or simply the "Professional Certificate"). This program contains the training with which non-behaviorological professionals may enhance their professional contributions by adding to their repertoires a solid foundation in behaviorological science.

The BLBC. The third program of more advanced training leads to the *Baccalaureate Level Behaviorology Certificate*. This program lays the foundation both for entry–level employment, in fields where behaviorology is the appropriate foundation science, as well as for further, graduate–level certificate programs in behaviorology.

Summary. These primary certificate programs incorporate scientifically sound instructional design components including (a) requiring students to meet established criteria, (b) allowing students to complete courses at their own pace, and (c) encouraging students to begin their next course immediately, without reference to calendar terms. The courses and the contents of courses required for each of these certificates will evolve as behaviorology itself evolves (hence these program descriptions are subject to change).