



Behavior **By** Design, LLC

Quarterly Newsletter
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Post-Master's Coursework in Behavior Analysis



Behavior By Design is pleased to host Shippensburg University for graduate level coursework in Applied Behavior Analysis.

- Courses will be taught by BCBAs with clinical experience and have been approved by the Behavior Analysis Certification Board.
- Coursework is designed for individuals who have their Master's degrees in Psychology or Special Education and who are looking to receive their certification in Applied Behavior Analysis.
- All courses will be offered Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5 pm – 9 pm and every other Saturday from 9 am – 4 pm to accommodate the working professional. All the coursework can be completed within 6 months.
- For more information contact Shippensburg Office of Professional, Continuing, and Distance Education Studies at
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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Behavior By Design has joined the Early Intervention (EI) feeding consultation team. Christy Foote, Matt Tyson, and Katie Scott were also asked to join the EI Special Response Team (SRT) to address families' needs related to an ASD diagnosis.
- We will be welcoming our spring semester interns Kimberly Krankoskie from Elizabethtown College, Mace Grafton from Millersville University, and Shay Cumberland also from Millersville University in January 2016.
- New for 2016! Our BxD Open Houses will feature free trainings for parents and professionals on various topics related to the field.



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Interesting Facts



→ Children with ASD are more likely to have high food selectivity. Research indicates that mealtime behavior problems and family stress occur more frequently among families of children with ASD. Without treatment, research shows that food aversions will persist through an individual's lifetime. However, autism-specific behavioral therapies aimed at broadening diets has been shown effective in addressing these concerns.

→ Apraxia is a motor speech disorder which affects the brain's ability to coordinate movements of the tongue, lips, jaw, and mouth needed for production of speech sounds. Although a relatively rare speech disorder among the general population, Apraxia affects nearly 65% of individuals with ASD according to a recent study. Because of this, researchers encourage evaluators to be mindful of both conditions when screening for ASD or Apraxia.

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can **change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.**”

~ Margaret Mead

FUTURE EVENTS

- Friday December 18th:
2nd Annual Behavior By Design
Christmas Open House 8 am – 8 pm
at the BxD office.
- Tuesday March 22nd:
BxD Open House featuring a free
training for parents and
professionals on Puberty and
Sexuality Behaviors. The Open
House will be held from 11 am – 3 pm
at the BxD office.



Upcoming 2016 Conferences

- March 31st- April 2nd: 6th Annual
APBA Convention; Washington DC
- May 11th-14th: IMFAR 2016;
Baltimore, MD



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