

## FSU Panama City Master's Program in Applied Behavior Analysis Joins Elite Ranks

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PANAMA CITY--As of June 2007, Florida State University's Master's Program in Psychology with a Specialization in Applied Behavior Analysis became only the 13th university program to be accredited by *The Association for Behavior Analysis International*. In doing so, it joins an elite group including Western Michigan University, the University of Kansas, Ohio State University, West Virginia University, and Queens College.



Attaining accreditation involved gathering and providing extensive documentation about the ABA Program including the placement of our successful graduates going back five full years. We have a 100% successful pass rate for our graduates on the Behavior Analyst Certification Board exam and our Masters students have been placed in locations ranging from Rhode Island to Hawaii as well as with major consulting firms in Florida and throughout the Southeast.

Becoming accredited meant having ABA's site-visit team, Dr. Nancy Neef and Dr. Mike Dorsey, conduct interviews with faculty and students as well as key administrators from the FSU Campus and the Panama City Campus as well. Based on Drs. Dorsey and Neef's assessment the ABA Masters Program was unanimously endorsed by ABAI's Accreditation Committee and accreditation was granted by the Executive Council in May 2007. Accreditation is granted for a 5-year period.