

The Animal Behavior Institute has 4 semesters per year. Each semester runs for 10 weeks, with final exams in the 11th week.

As not all classes at the Animal Behavior Institute are offered every semester, students can expect to complete a certificate program in 6 months to 1 ½ years. Students are allowed to take as much time as needed between semesters.

Our Animal Assisted Therapy certificate program consists of 5 courses. There are 4 required courses as well as one elective chosen from 6 possible options.

The course list is as follows:

Required:

- ABI 116 Practical Psychology
- ABI 211 Animal Assisted Therapy
- ABI 232 The Human-Animal Bond
- ABI 233 Animal Training

Electives: (choose one)

- ABI 238 Training Your Therapy Dog
- ABI 251 Behavior & Training of Marine Mammals
- ABI 261 Equine Assisted Activities & Therapies
- ABI 271 Canine Behavior & Enrichment
- ABI 272 Feline Behavior & Enrichment
- ABI 331 Animal Behavior