Applying to the Master of Science in Psychology with a Major in Behavior Analysis is a Multi-Step process that includes completing and online application, paying the application fee and then submitting supporting application materials (official transcripts, application attestation, statement of intent, Resume/CV, and letters of recommendation). Please see below for more details about each step.

Step 1

Complete Graduate Application found online by visiting http://gradschool.fiu.edu

Pay the $30 application fee

To apply you will need to create an account on FIU's main application page. Once you have created your login information and completed the application, you will be prompted to submit a $30 application fee (steps for payment will be provided when creating your account). For speedy processing, please have a major credit card (Visa, Master Card, American Express, or Discover) available. After successfully submitting your application, a confirmation e-mail will be sent which will include your next steps.

All supporting admission materials will need to be submitted through the application or electronically after your application has been received by the University. Once you submit your application and the submission status shows as "posted," you will have view only access to the application *but will still be able to upload and attach supporting documents* to your application file. You may also email documents to gradadm@fiu.edu (emailing documents will take longer to process and update to your file).
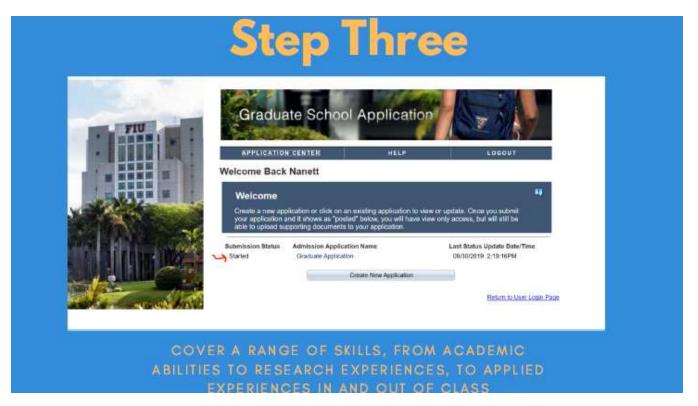

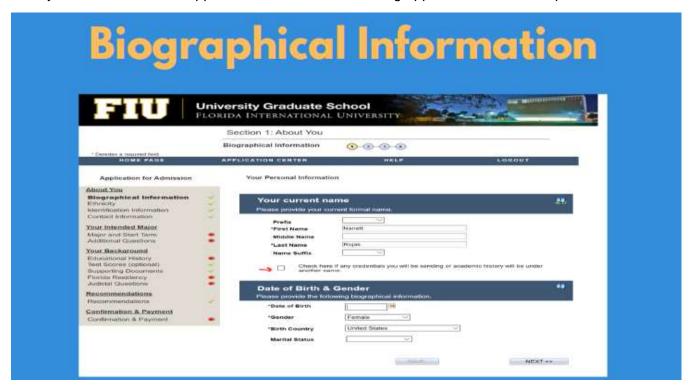https://admissions.fiu.edu/how-to-apply/graduate-applicant/applications/index.html

When applying do not have any other browser programs open on your browser or open an entirely separate browser. If you have my.fiu.edu portal or another peoplesoft application open you will get an error message saying you are unauthorized (see image above)
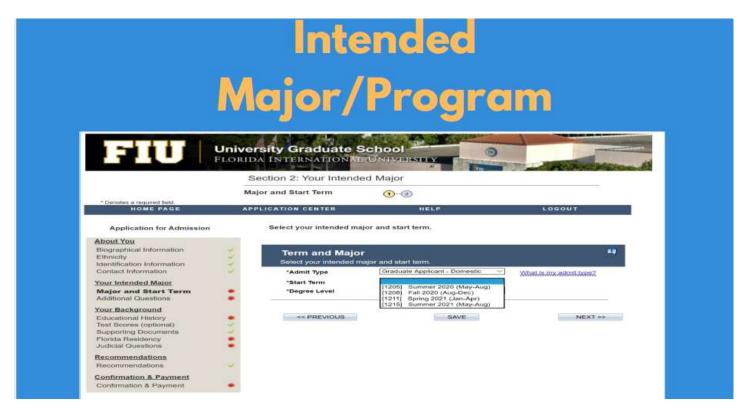

Username is your own creation (use something you will remember). It is **not** the same as your panther ID.
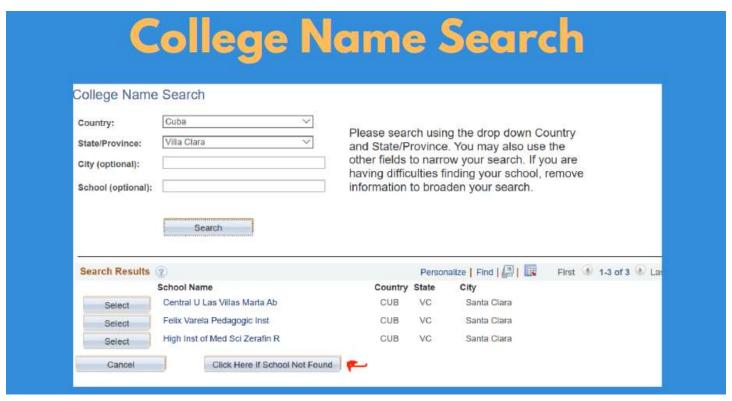
Step Three

Here you will create a new application or click on an existing application to view or update.

Biographical Information

Here you will select your intended major and start term. For example, Master of Science in Psychology, Behavior Analysis, Fall/Spring 20XX (whatever year you are applying for).
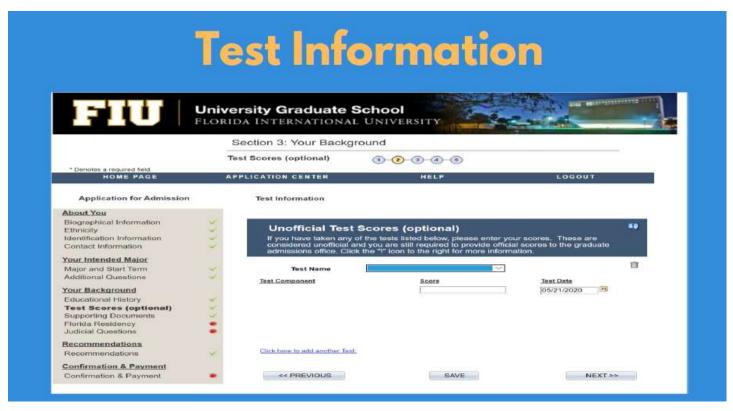

Use the drop-down Country and State/Province. You may also use the other fields to narrow your search. If you are having difficulties finding your school, remove information to broaden your search.

Educational History

List all colleges and universities where you have completed course work. An official transcript must be submitted from each college or university directly to FIU. Failure to list all institutions will result in your application being denied or your admissions revoked. Note: Current or past FIU students do not need to submit an official FIU transcript but must include FIU in the list below.

Test Information

If you have taken any of the tests listed below, please enter your scores. These are considered unofficial and you are still required to provide official scores to the graduate admissions office. Cluck the "!" icon to the right for more information.

Supporting Documents

Click on the document type drop-down menu to view any required supporting documents for your application. Academic transcripts/mark sheets uploaded with this application are considered unofficial.

You can upload and attach supporting documents to your application file at any time, even after your application has been submitted.

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Your recommenders will receive an email requesting an electronic recommendation for you. Please click on the "!" for more information.

Once you have submitted the application, you will not be able to update educational history, demographic information, change payment options, BUT…you may still log back into the application and add supporting documents. You may also monitor recommendation status such as seeing if your recommendation was already submitted, add/delete recommenders, and send reminder emails to your recommenders.

Step 2

Submit Official University/College Transcripts

This includes university/college official transcript from all institutions previously attended in a sealed institution envelope. If you graduated from FIU, you do not need to request transcripts unless you attended another institution afterwards. Students who have received an education from non-English speaking countries must have their transcripts translated when sent to FIU.
If you need your transcripts evaluated more information is provided here:

https://admissions.fiu.edu/how-to-apply/submit-transcripts/index.html

Step 2

Submit Official GRE scores (Quantitative, Verbal, and Analytical Writing Assessment) starting with Fall 2025.

When you take the GRE, submit your scores using the University Institution Code: 5206
The GRE is required and mandatory.

Information is available at: https://www.ets.org/gre/

Only the **General** GRE exam is required. We will not be able to waive the GRE requirements, however, there is no minimum score required for the GRE.

Generally, GRE scores take 10-15 business days to be reported to the University, however, it may take longer during certain times of the year. You should contact the administrators of the GRE for more information regarding the reporting timeline at this time. Our recommendation is that you take the GRE no later than 30 days prior to the application deadline. You may submit unofficial scores to the program via email (behavior@fiu.edu) while your official scores are in the process of being reported. GRE scores must be received by the application deadline.

Step 4

Submit Application Attestation

Visit our website to download and complete our application attestation. Email the attestation form to the program: behavior@fiu.edu

Admissions

All application materials should be submitted to the Office of Graduate Admissions via the online Graduate Application. Use the graduate admission checklist and our MS in Behavior Analysis Application Instructions to get started. Please note that the graduate admission checklist may not reflect our program's deadlines and requirements; compare it with the information on this page.

Newly admitted students who wish to transfer credits from previous behavior analysis graduate coursework may submit a transfer credit request prior to starting their first semester in the program. If a student can provide a course content verification form, we will compare it to our coursework. Consideration will be given if the course content that a student wishes to transfer is identical to the courses in the BAMS program and the student earned the minimum grade required for courses in the BAMS program. It is not guaranteed that any will transfer, and students will have to take all the coursework in the program from scratch to be eligible for the BCBA certification exam.

This program is in no way associated or related to the FBI behavioral investigations unit. It will not prepare you for a specialized career in the field of forensic psychology or criminal justice.

International Students: Spring admission is for a fully remote-hybrid option. This fully online option is not open to international students in need of a student visa (F-1) or Exchange Visitor visa (J-1). International students should not apply to this option, and instead apply to the Fall admission option.

ABAI Accreditation Standards Outcomes Assessment Data

Please note: Once you have submitted your application online, you should add the email address, behavior@fiu.edu, to your list of contacts or safe senders. All program communications about your application will come from this email address. If you are a current FIU student or FIU alum, emails will be sent to your FIU email address.

Deadline   +

Requirements   +

Funding   +

Requirements

Requirements are listed in the order they are valued during the admissions review.

Please note, GPA, previous coursework and experience in behavior analysis, as well as the essay are considered the highest predictors of a good match between applicant and program.

- **GPA:** 3.0 in last 60 credits of upper-division work
  - Coursework in behavior analysis preferred
- **Application Attestation:** Applicants must submit this signed attestation via email to behavior@fiu.edu by the application deadline.
- **Statement of Intent:** Required; a brief essay stating the reasons for interest in the program and career goals. Some questions to consider while writing this essay: How does the program match your future goals? Why is this program the right fit for you? How do you plan to use your education and training from this program in your professional life? During admission review special attention is given to the content, organization, and structure of the essay. Essay should not exceed three typewritten double-spaced pages.
- **CV or resume:** Required; include with previous experience, education, honors, awards, interests, community service and achievements and highlighting relevant experience and/or coursework in behavior analysis.
- **Letters of Recommendation:** Required; 3 letters evaluating the applicant's potential for graduate work. The University Graduate School offers a recommendation form, though this is not required.
- **Additional Requirements:**
  - Applicants who earned a degree at a foregin institution will likely require a course-by-course evaluation of their transcripts. For more information on this process please visit the international admissions website by clicking here.
  - International students whose native language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS)
    - Minimum TOEFL score: 550 (paper) or 80 (internet)
    - Minimum IELTS score: 6.5
    - FIU's institutional code is 5206

Use our MS in Behavior Analysis Application Process as a guide to complete your application. Requirements are minimums. For additional requirements and information, consult the Graduate Catalog, or contact us at behavior@fiu.edu.

GRE exam scores are no longer required starting Fall 2023

Step 5

Submit/Attach supporting materials to your application or email gradadm@fiu.edu and copy behavior@fiu.edu if you are unable to attach these documents (please note, emailing these documents will delay the processing, therefore, uploading them directly to the application is the most efficient way to submit these documents).

- **Statement of Intent:** Brief essay stating the reasons for interest in the program and career goals. Should not exceed three type-written double-spaced pages
- **Resume/CV:** highlighting relevant experience and/or coursework in behavior analysis
- **Three letters of recommendation**: from persons who can evaluate your professional and academic performance and potential for success in the master's program. Recommendations from professors are preferred. Workplace recommendations should be from locations where the work is behavior analytic in nature.

Step 6

Submit Residency Documents
Residency status is used primarily to determine whether students pay in-state or out-of-state tuition. Whether you are a Florida resident, U.S. resident or international student, you are required to submit proof of residency. Failing to provide residency documentation will delay your enrollment.

More information on declaring residency here:
https://onestop.fiu.edu/student-records-myfiu/personal-records/declare-residency/

Step 7

Only if you are an international student, you will also need to submit the following:

- Official Translations of University/College transcripts (see step 2 above)
- English Proficiency
  - TOEFL scores (550 paper-based, 80 internet-based)
  - IELTS scores (6.5)
- Visa Documents (to have an I-20 issued)
  - Copy of passport
  - Declaration and Certification of Finances (DCF):

  https://internationaladmissions.fiu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/IA-DCF-4.16.2020.pdf

  - Bank Letter/Statement (or as completed on the DCF)
  - Sponsor Letter, if the funds are not held in your name (or as completed on the DCF)

For more information about receiving your I-20 or student visa process please visit:

https://internationaladmissions.fiu.edu/graduate/

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Step 8

Check Application Status

When you finish your application, you will be assigned a Panther ID within 3-5 work days. This will give you access to your MyFIU account where you can check your application status.

Please allow 2-3 business days to view your application status. Remember your login and check the dashboard for updates.

Be sure to check your email junk/spam folders and/or indicate FIU is a trusted source to ensure you receive all important email messages.

Check your status here:
https://myportal.fiu.edu/psp/ihub/EMPLOYEE/CAMP/c/SA_LEARNER_SERVICES.SS_ADM_APP_STATUS.GBL

Application deadline

All documents listed in Steps above need to be submitted by April 15 for the Fall of the same year admission term or August 15 for the following Spring admission term.

Admissions Decisions

The admissions committee will review applications upon receipt of materials. Applicants will be notified via email of an admissions decision within 6-8 weeks of the application deadline.