

Autism and Behavioural Sciences Field Placements

General Information

The two field placements required for this program must be completed in-person. Students are responsible for locating their own field placements. How long it takes for a placement to be approved by the field placement office depends on a variety of factors. Students are encouraged to begin plans for field placement as soon as possible, and at least one semester in advance of when they intend to complete a field placement. Depending on the agency, placement approvals may take several months. For this program, students must be under the supervision of a person with sufficient credentials, such as a certified ABA/IBI specialist. There is no stipulation that the two placements cannot be completed at the same location.

Field Placement Prerequisites

BESC1004 Field Placement 1	BESC1000, BESC1001, BESC1002, BESC1003, ETHS1000 AND First Aid, CPR, Crisis Intervention Certificate
BESC1009 Field Placement 2	BESC1004, BESC1010, BESC1006, BESC1007, BESC1008

Note: Some agencies may require students to provide additional documentation/certification, e.g. a vulnerable sector screening check.

Procedure

Students need to contact the [Field Placement Office](#) a minimum of one semester prior to the semester they plan to complete a placement and before they reach out to any agencies.

The Field Placement Office will send you the information you need to research and secure a placement along with all supporting documents.

All placement requirements are due the following dates:

- March 30 for a summer semester placement
- July 30 for a fall semester placement
- November 30 for a winter semester placement

When you have located an agency, contact the [Field Placement office](#). Use your Georgian student email account. Include the following information:

- Your first and last name, student number, and name of program
- Agency name, location, and contact information
- First Aid, CPR, and Crisis Intervention documentation
- Identify whether you are preparing for BESC1004 Field Placement 1 or BESC1009 Field Placement 2
- Note what semester you are hoping to complete placement

Resources

Agencies

Students are responsible for locating an agency for their field placements. You may be able to find an agency offering programs and services near your community at <http://www.211ontario.ca>

First Aid

- Action First Aid <https://www.actionfirstaid.ca/training/>
- Canadian Red Cross <https://myrc.redcross.ca/en/>
- St. John Ambulance <https://www.sja.ca/English/Pages/default.aspx#>

CPR

- Action First Aid <https://www.actionfirstaid.ca/training/>
- Canadian Red Cross <https://myrc.redcross.ca/en/>
- St. John Ambulance <https://www.sja.ca/English/Pages/default.aspx#>

Crisis Intervention

- Georgian College <https://www.georgiancollege.ca/academics/part-time-studies/courses/nonviolent-crisis-intervention-coms-0015/>

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition

Some students may be eligible for prior learning assessment and recognition (PLAR) for certain courses and/or placements. For placement, this would require a request to PLAR from either BESC 1004 Field Placement 1 or BESC 1009 Field Placement 2.

In order for a PLAR to be considered for placement, a person who is satisfactorily qualified (typically an ABA/IBI specialist), must be supervising the work to be considered for the PLAR. For each application, students need to submit a resume, proof of employment in the position, job description, and a summary of how the required learning outcomes have been met (confirmed by a supervisor).

You can find information about PLAR on the Credit Transfer Center website at <https://www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/credit-transfer/>. See “How to apply for PLAR” and “Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition form” under Things you need to know.

Who can I contact for more information?

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