



June 5, 2019

Montana State University Billings
1500 University Drive
Billings, MT 59101

Dear Dr. Cheryl Young-Pelton,

It is with great pleasure that I write you on behalf of the Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) Accreditation Board to inform you that the Board has granted the Master of Science in Special Education Advanced Studies in Applied Behavior Analysis Program at Montana State University Billings full accreditation through December 31, 2023.

During this period, your program is required to share its accreditation status and display the ABAI Accreditation Board masters-level accreditation seal in compliance with the Board's policy on public disclosure of accreditation status. To maintain accreditation, your program must remain in compliance with the Board's policies and procedures, including the submission of an annual report and annual accreditation fees, during the first quarter each year the program is accredited. If your program chooses to re-apply for accreditation before the current term expires, a new self-study will need to be submitted to the Board before April 1, 2023. More information about the policies and procedures relevant to maintaining accreditation can be found on the Board's website: <https://accreditation.abainternational.org>

Accreditation is specifically designed to convey information about a training program's comprehensiveness, rigor, and quality. Its purpose is to promote quality control within the discipline's training programs. The Board would like to extend its appreciation to your program for helping to preserve the integrity of the field's training programs. The site visitors raised question as to whether items 2-105 and 2-109 were met. After reviewing the self-study, site visit report, and your program's response, the Board agreed that the MSSSED ABA program meets these standards. The board appreciates the collegial nature of the response to the site visit report and while innovation and continuous quality improvements are encouraged, the suggestions in the site visit report for those two items need not be made to receive or maintain accreditation.

If you have any questions about accreditation, please do not hesitate to contact me. Additionally, if your program assigns a new Program Administrator during the current term, please notify the Board immediately so we may update our records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jenna Mrljak".

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cc: Michael Perone, Ph.D., ABAI Accreditation Board Chair