

MA vs. M.ADS

	MA	M.ADS	DIPLOMA
Admission Criteria	4 yr. honours degree 75% average academic references preferred disability and/or ABA experience preferred	4 yr. honours degree 75% average Academic and professional references disability and/or ABA experience is an asset	4 yr. honours degree 75% average professional references suitable for those holding an MA in BACB designated fields disability and/or ABA experience is an asset.
Profile	thesis based	course based	course based
Credit Requirement	6 credits	5 credits	4 credits
Status	Full-time (2, yr.s, 6 semesters) Part-time (not offered)	Full-time (ABA) (2 yr.s, 5 semesters) Part-time (ABA) (3 yr.s, 8 semesters) Full-time (General) (2 yr.s, 5 semesters) Part-time (General) (not offered)	Full-time (2 yr.s, 5 semesters) Part-time (not offered)
Outcomes	academic research PhD. eligibility BCBA certification (ABA) eligibility	BCBA certification (ABA) eligibility	BCBA certification (ABA) eligibility
Research	research thesis with data collection & analysis	ABA - data based practicum project General - major research paper	data based practicum project
Practicum/Internship	150 hours per term beginning 2 nd yr. additional practicum courses may be taken	150 hours per term beginning 2 nd yr. (full-time) or 3 rd yr. (part-time)	150 hours per term beginning 2 nd yr.
TAship/RAship	Guaranteed first yr.	not guaranteed	not guaranteed
Tuition	paid per term	paid per course	paid per course
Funding	may qualify for additional funding: scholarships, bursaries, fellowships, research grants	may qualify for scholarships full-time employees may qualify for funding through employers and/or provincial government	not available