

ABA 515 : Introduction to Autism

An overview of the history of educational and clinical practice for children with autistic spectrum disorders (ASD), which has been characterized by disparate and sometimes contradictory approaches will be presented. The significant differences in educational philosophy and approaches, the differences in practice that have been their basis in different philosophies about how children learn (e.g., behavioral versus development approaches), and the different beliefs about the most significant challenges faced by children with autistic spectrum disorders and their families will be explored.