What is Occupational Therapy?
The Connecticut Occupational Therapy Association defines Occupational Therapy as a “skilled treatment that helps individuals achieve independence in all facets of their lives. It gives people the ‘skills for the job of living’ necessary for independent and satisfying lives.”

Do You Enjoy Caring For Others?
Our Occupational Therapy Assistant associate degree program will prepare you to care for clients who are limited by a physical illness or injury, an emotional disorder, a developmental disability, or the aging process. As an Occupational Therapy Assistant, you will work under the supervision of an Occupational Therapist and will apply functional activities and therapeutic modalities as methods of treatment. Therapy focuses on assisting clients in restoring or maintaining independence in everyday life skills.

You will gain hands-on experience through: training in activities of daily living; fabrication of splints; adapting home, work, and school environments; vocational training; and therapeutic use of functional activities. As part of your clinical work, you will learn from experienced, practicing Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants within a variety of health care and community settings.

For added flexibility, all Occupational Therapy Assistant courses are offered during the evening and on weekends as a cohort model. You can complete your degree in 16 months full-time.

Upon graduation, you will be qualified to sit for the national certification administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT).
Associate Degree in
Occupational Therapy Assistant

Our program prepares students to work in a variety of settings
- Alternative Community Settings
- Assisted Living Facility
- Geriatrics
- Homes
- Hospitals
- Nursing Homes
- Pediatrics
- Rehabilitation Centers
- Schools

Program facts
- Student acceptance is based on the top 20 applicants who meet admission criteria (see Academic Catalog for the OTA Admission Criteria Point System).
- Academic coursework is primarily evening/weekend with clinical fieldwork during the day.
- Students will engage in the hybrid/online coursework on a limited basis.
- Students will complete coursework in the 15-week on-ground format with use of Blackboard for course content and assignments to supplement in-class work.

Graduation requirements
Students must complete all the general Associate graduation requirements as stated in the catalog. In addition, students must complete the following programmatic graduation requirements:

1. Complete all Occupational Therapy Assistant core courses with a minimum grade of “C+”.
2. Complete HSC 105 and BIO 120, or equivalent, with a minimum grade of “C”.
3. Fieldwork IIA and IIB must be completed within 12 months of completion of all academic coursework.

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