

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT



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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).

CURRICULUM

General Education Core - 28 credits		
ENG 101	English Composition	3
ENG 1XX	Writing Competency <small>(WR)</small>	3
COM 1XX	Communications Competency <small>(COM)</small>	3
CAP 1XX	Computer Literacy Competency <small>(CL)</small>	3
MATH 1XX	Math Competency <small>(MATH)</small>	3
BIO 120	Human Biology <small>(SCI)</small>	4
PSY 112	Introduction to Psychology <small>(SS)</small>	3
	Cultural Competency <small>(CU or E/P)</small>	3
HSC 105	Medical Terminology	3

Core Requirements - 6 credits		
IDA 120	Intellectual Discovery Strategies OR Open Elective	3
PSY 212	Life-Span Development	3

Major Core Requirements - 36 credits		
Semester One		
OTA 100	Occupational Therapy Foundations and Fieldwork IA	3
OTA 101	Foundations of Movement and Function	3
OTA 103	Group Dynamics in Occupational Therapy	3
Semester Two		
OTA 214	Principles of Adult Populations and the Occupational Therapy Assistant	4
OTA 215	Principles of Pediatric Populations and the Occupational Therapy Assistant	4
Semester Three		
OTA 102	Clinical Fieldwork IB (FW I)	1
OTA 203	Case Studies and Practice Applications in Occupational Therapy Assistant	3
OTA 216	Principles of Geriatric Populations and the Occupational Therapy Assistant	4
Semester Four		
OTA 220	Occupational Therapy Assistant Seminar	1
OTA 250	Advanced Fieldwork Level IIA	5
OTA 260	Advanced Fieldwork Level IIB	5

Total Credits: 70

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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

TO REQUEST MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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Upon graduation, you will be qualified to sit for the national certification administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, you will be a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant. Connecticut requires a license in order to practice occupational therapy and the license is based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination. In addition to Connecticut, other states including Massachusetts and Rhode Island also require state licensure in order to practice after completing a program at an occupational therapy assistant school.

The Occupational Therapy Assistant Program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 4720 Montgomery Lane, P.O. Box 31220, Bethesda, MD 20824-1220. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is 301-652-AOTA.