

Occupational Therapy Assistant, A.A.S. (Associate of Applied Science)

Prior to First Year

- BIO 141 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I*¹ 4 cr
- ENG 111 - English Composition I* 3 cr
- PSY 230 - Developmental Psychology* 3 cr
- SDV 101 - Orientation to Health Professions 2 cr

Total Credits Prior to: 12

First Year

Fall Semester

- HLT 141 - Introduction to Medical Terminology 1 cr
- BIO 142 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II*¹ 4 cr
- OCT 100 - Introduction to Occupational Therapy 3 cr
- OCT 195 - Kinesiology for the Occupational Therapy Assistant 2 cr
- OCT 207 - Therapeutic Skills 3 cr

Total Credits for Semester: 13

Spring Semester

- HLT 105 – Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation 1 cr
- CST 100 – Principles of Public Speaking 3 cr
- OCT 195 - Topics in (Professional Skills for the Occupational Therapy Assistant) 2 cr
- OCT 201 - Occupational Therapy with Psychosocial Dysfunction 3 cr
- OCT 206 - Dyadic and Group Dynamics 3 cr
- OCT 190 – Coordinated Internship (Psychosocial Fieldwork) 1 cr

Total Credits for Semester: 13

Summer Semester

- OCT 203 - Occupational Therapy with Developmental Disabilities 4 cr
- OCT 205 - Therapeutic Media 3 cr
- OCT 210 - Assistive Technology 2 cr
- OCT 190 - Coordinated Internship (Pediatric Fieldwork) 1 cr

Total Credits for Semester: 10

Second Year

Fall Semester

- PHI 220 - Ethics and Society 3 cr
- OCT 202 - Occupational Therapy with Physical Disabilities 4 cr
- OCT 208 - Occupational Therapy Service Management 3 cr
- OCT 220 - Occupational Therapy for the Adult 2 cr
- OCT 190 - Coordinated Internship (Adult Fieldwork) 1 cr

Total Credits for Semester: 13

Spring Semester

- OCT 290 - Level II A-Fieldwork² 4 cr
- OCT 290 - Level IIB Fieldwork² 4 cr
- OCT 299 - Supervised Study (Senior Seminar) 1 cr

Total Credits for Semester: 9

* This course has a requisite.

Total Minimum Credits for Degree: 70

¹Must be completed within five years prior to beginning the program.

² Students must complete 16 weeks of Level II fieldwork within 18 months following the completion of the didactic portion of the program.

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The associate-degree-level occupational therapy assistant program will apply for accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 6116 Executive Boulevard, Suite 200, North Bethesda, MD 20852-4929 by 12/16/2024. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA and its web address is www.acoteonline.org. The program must be granted Candidacy Status, have a preaccreditation review, complete an on-site evaluation, and be granted Accreditation Status before its graduates will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapy assistant administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA). In addition, all states require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination. Note that a felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure. The first class of OTA students will begin Fall 2025.

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