

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT (OTA)

OTA-101 Foundations of Occupational Therapy (2)

Introduces the philosophical, ethical and theoretical concepts of the current practice of occupational therapy. Provides an overview of the role of the OTR and COTA in the processes of patient evaluation, treatment planning, implementation and discharge. Presents note writing and goal development. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 2.0 lecture

OTA-205 Occupational Therapy Assistant Management (2)

Includes the basic principles of management for the OTA. Topics include levels of authority and responsibility, supervisory process, performance appraisals, and policies and procedures. Discusses state and professional association regulations and legal/ethical issues.

Explores reimbursement systems and their impacts on health care, as well as public policy and professional advocacy. Covers resume writing, interviewing and employability skills. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 2.0 lecture

Prerequisite: Take OTA-850. Take OTA-851.

OTA-206 Community Health and Special Populations (3)

Provides knowledge and instruction for the intervention, prevention, and maintenance for optimal occupational performance in individuals and populations. Includes clinical observations. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 3.0 lecture

Prerequisite: Take OTA-851.

OTA-207 OT Methods I (3)

Introduces methods and techniques used in OT. Provides knowledge and skill in the use of activity analysis, task analysis, occupational performance, and grading and adapting. Presents information on safety in the clinic with basic health skills performance. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 2.0 lecture, 2.0 lab

OTA-211 Pathophysiology for the OTA (4)

Presents clinical disorders and diseases commonly treated in the field of occupational therapy. Covers pathology, etiology, diagnosis, signs, symptoms and prognosis. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 4.0 lecture

Prerequisite: Take OTA-101. Take OTA-207. Take either BIO-168 and BIO-173, or take BIO-177 and BIO-180.

OTA-212 Functional Kinesiology (3)

Provides a basic understanding of normal body movement as related to skeletal, muscular and neurological systems. Focuses on muscle origin, insertion and action, joint structure, anatomical palpation, human gait, and movement analysis during functional activities and daily life skills.

Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 2.0 lecture, 2.0 lab

Prerequisite: Take BIO-168 and BIO-173. Take OTA-101. Take OTA-207.

OTA-213 Occupational Development (2)

Presents normal physical and psychosocial development processes which affect an individual throughout the lifespan. Emphasis on integration of physical, psychosocial, cognitive, social and cultural aspects of occupational development. Clinic observation experience is included. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 2.0 lecture

Pre/corequisite: Take OTA-101. Take OTA-207. Take PSY-111.

OTA-306 OT Methods II (3)

Presents evaluations and treatment methods for individuals used in occupational therapy. Emphasis on the instruction of compensatory techniques for activities of daily living and independent activities of daily living. Presents treatment-planning skills necessary for clinical reasoning in patient care. Documentation of the treatment process is presented.

Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 2.0 lecture, 2.0 lab

Prerequisite: Take OTA-207.

OTA-308 Physical Dysfunction I (4)

Presents theory, evaluation and treatment technique for physical and cognitive occupational dysfunction. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 3.0 lecture, 2.0 lab

Prerequisite: Take OTA-101. Take OTA-212. Take OTA-211.

OTA-309 Physical Dysfunction II (4)

Presents application of intervention approaches for individuals and groups with physical and cognitive occupational dysfunction. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 3.0 lecture, 2.0 lab

Corequisite: Take OTA-308.

OTA-405 Psychosocial Dysfunction (4)

Presents diagnosis, symptomology and etiology of psychosocial dysfunction. Discusses theory, evaluation, and treatment techniques for individuals and groups with psychosocial impairments. Provides knowledge of OTR and COTA role delineation in psychiatric settings. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 4.0 lecture

Prerequisite: Take OTA-213.

Corequisite: Take OTA-211.

OTA-406 OT Methods III (3)

Presents information for clinical skills in the areas of wheelchair selection and positioning. Presents the fabrication of splints, use of orthotics and kinesio-taping. Assisted technology, low vision treatment and physical agent modalities are discussed. Presents treatment options for various pathology groups and specialty treatment programs. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B

Hours per week: 2.0 lecture, 2.0 lab

Prerequisite: Take OTA-306.

OTA-409 Professional Development (2)

Explores state and professional association regulations and requirements, licensure and certification exam preparation, OT/OTA role delineation, and job search and references. Seminars focus on best practices and professional preparation. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B
Hours per week: 2.0 lecture

Prerequisite: Take OTA-850.

Corequisite: Take OTA-852. Take OTA-854.

OTA-411 Geriatric Interventions for the OTA (1.5)

Provides knowledge and skills for assessment and treatment of the geriatric population. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B
Hours per week: 1.5 lecture

Prerequisite: Take OTA-213. Take OTA-306. Take OTA-309.

OTA-412 Pediatric Interventions for the OTA (3)

Provides knowledge and skills for the assessment, intervention planning and treatment for the unique needs of the pediatric population. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B
Hours per week: 3.0 lecture

Prerequisite: Take OTA-213. Take OTA-306.

OTA-850 Occupational Therapy Assistant Fieldwork I-A (1)

Provides fieldwork and seminar experiences to develop observational, interpersonal, and communication abilities. Includes involvement with disabled and non-disabled individuals. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B; Comments: Requires all first semester courses be completed
Hours per week: 0.5 lecture, 1.5 clinical

Prerequisite: Take OTA-213.

Corequisite: Take OTA-306.

Pre/corequisite: Take OTA-211. Take OTA-212.

OTA-851 Occupational Therapy Assistant Fieldwork I-B (1)

Fieldwork and seminar experiences provide opportunities to develop observational, interpersonal and communication abilities. Experience includes evaluation and intervention of physical and cognitive occupational dysfunction. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B
Hours per week: 0.5 lecture, 1.5 clinical

Prerequisite: Take OTA-213. Take OTA-211. Take OTA-212. Take OTA-306.

OTA-852 Occupational Therapy Assistant Fieldwork II-A (6)

Provides a supervised Level II fieldwork experience emphasizing physical dysfunction, psychosocial or specialty practices in occupational therapy. Offers experience to develop expectations of an entry-level occupational therapy assistant. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B
Hours per week: 18.0 clinical

Prerequisite: Take OTA-851.

Corequisite: Take OTA-409. Take OTA-854.

OTA-853 OTA Fieldwork I-C (2.5)

Fieldwork and seminar experiences provide opportunities to develop observational, interpersonal and communication skills. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B
Hours per week: 1.5 lecture, 3.0 clinical

Prerequisite: Take OTA-850.

OTA-854 Occupational Therapy Assistant Fieldwork II-B (6)

Provides a supervised Level II fieldwork experience emphasizing physical dysfunction, dysfunction, psychosocial or specialty practices in occupational therapy. Offers experience to develop expectations of an entry-level occupational therapy assistant. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B
Hours per week: 18.0 clinical

Corequisite: Take OTA-852. Take OTA-409.

OTA-924 Honors Project (1)

Allows a qualified honors student to pursue a special concentration of study under the guidance of a faculty member. Requires completion of an honors project contract. May be taken more than once. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: B; Comments: Requires approval of supervising professor and dean
Hours per week: 1.0 lecture