

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE

Occupational Therapy Assistant AS

The Occupational Therapy Assistant program prepares graduates to demonstrate entry level competencies as an Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) and provides a strong foundation for continued learning. The Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant functions as a member of the health care team; working under the supervision of a licensed Occupational Therapist, the Occupational Therapy Assistant helps disabled people of all ages acquire, improve, or regain the ability to do all activities that have meaning, value, or purpose. The OTA curriculum combines biological and behavioral sciences, along with the theory and principles of Occupational Therapy. The program is built to support the standards of the American Occupational Therapy Association and prepares students to sit for the National Board Certification for Occupational Therapy Assistant Exam. The Crowder College Occupational Therapy Assistant Program has applied for accreditation and has been granted Developing Program Status by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 4720 Montgomery Lane, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20814-3449. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA. Once accreditation of the program has been obtained, 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, most 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 Occupational Therapy faculty believes all humans learn: the way an individual responds to and uses the stimuli in their environment determines how and what is learned. The Occupational Therapy Assistant curriculum is delivered through the uses of multiple learning styles and a wide variety of teaching methods. The OTA program is a single entry, limited admission program. Students must have and maintain a 2.75 grade point average. No courses below a grade of C will be accepted. Applications for the OTA program are accepted April 15th – August 1st of each year.

Program of Study

Orientation COLL 101	1 hour
Communications Written Communications (3 hours) ENGL 101* Oral Communications (3 hours) COMM 104*	6 hours
Humanities ART 101, 106 ASL 101, 102* ENGL 109*, 222*, 225* ENGL 230*, 235*, 240*, 245* FREN 101 HIST 101*, 102* MUSC 101 PHIL 101*, 121, 202* SPAN 101, 111 TA 205	3 hours
Mathematics MATH 125*, 130*, 135*	3 hours
Science BIOL 152* BIOL 252*	10 hours
Social and Behavioral Science PSYC 101 Civics (3 hours) HIST 106*, 107* PLSC 103	6 hours
OTA Courses OTA 101 OTA 116 OTA 125 OTA 131* OTA 201* OTA 211* OTA 218* OTA 221* OTA 230* OTA 236* OTA 240* OTA 245* OTA 250*	44 hours

*Prerequisite required

This Suggested Plan of Study is based on course offerings at the Webb City Instructional Site. Adjustments in scheduling may need to be made based on other campus course offerings. This is just one possible plan. The length of time to complete the program may vary for each student. In addition, based on placement results, individuals may need to take additional courses for academic

Suggested Plan of Study

FIRST YEAR

Pre-Admission Requirements: Must be completed prior to the spring semester –

Fall Semester	Hours
BIOL 152 Human Anatomy and Physiology I	5
COLL 101 College Orientation	1
COMM 104 Fundamentals of Speech	3
ENGL 101 English Composition	3
PSYC 101 General Psychology	3
TOTAL	15

Spring Semester	Hours
BIOL 252 Human Anatomy and Physiology II	5
OTA 101 Prins of Occupational Therapy	2
OTA 116 Prins of Therapeutic Intervention	3
OTA 125 Occupational Therapy Documentation	2
Approved Humanities Course	3
TOTAL	15

Summer Semester	Hours
Approved Civics Course	3
Approved Mathematics Course	3
TOTAL	6

SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours
OTA 131 Functional Mvmt: Occ & Adaptation	3
OTA 201 Practice: Children & Adolescents	5
OTA 211 Practice: Mental Health	4
TOTAL	12

Spring Semester	Hours
OTA 218 Occupational Therapy Test & FW Prep	1
OTA 221 Practice: Physical Rehabilitation	5
OTA 230 Occ Performance Across Lifespan	3
OTA 236 Occ Perf Issues in Later Adulthood	4
TOTAL	13

THIRD YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours
OTA 240 Fieldwork level II A	5
OTA 245 Occupational Therapy Management	2
OTA 250 Fieldwork level II B	5
TOTAL	12

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED 73