



Academic & Career **PATHWAYS**

Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.)

Occupational Therapy Assistant – Advising Guide

The field of Occupational Therapy is exciting, diverse, and rewarding. COTAs work under the supervision of a Registered Occupational Therapist to provide patient care to individuals with varying physical and/or psychosocial disabilities to obtain their maximum level of independence with self-care and daily living skills. OT practitioners help people to live life to its fullest by helping them promote health, and prevent and/or live better with injury, illness, or disability. A variety of work settings are available, such as acute care and rehabilitation hospitals, nursing homes, school systems, home health care and community agencies. The OTA Program leads to an Associate in Applied Science degree.

*You must be admitted into this program, see the website for admission requirements.

Course		Degree Requirements Met	Credits	Action Steps
Semester 1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 100 Introduction to Occupational Therapy	Program Prerequisite Requirement	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with Student Success Advisor to build degree plan Apply to program
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 101 Composition & Reading I	Program Prerequisite Requirement	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOL 110 Human Anatomy	Program Requirement-Alternatively can take HLSC 108 or BIOL 109 in Semester 2	6	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOL 150 Medical Terminology	Program Prerequisite Requirement	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any Natural Science Course with Lab Choose one	Program Prerequisite Requirement	4-6*	
Total Semester Credits			17-19	
Semester 2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 100 Fundamentals of Speech COMM 102 Fundamentals of Human Communication COMM 223 Interpersonal Communication OR COMM 233 Intercultural Communication Choose one	General Education Requirement	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with Student Success Advisor
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 140 General Psychology	General Education Requirement	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST 120 United States History to 1865 HIST 121 United States History since 1865 OR POLS 136 Introduction to U.S. National Politics Choose one	General Education Requirement/Civics	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOL 110 Human Anatomy OR BIOL 210 Human Physiology OR HLSC 108 Anatomy and Physiology for Health Professions Choose one	Program Requirement-Take BIOL 210 if Already Completed BIO 109	4-5*	
Total Semester Credits			13 - 14	
Semester 3				

<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 102 Documentation Guidelines	Program Requirement	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with Student Success Advisor
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 103 Clinical Conditions	Program Requirement	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 106 Therapeutic Interventions I	Program Requirement	4	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 114 Introduction to Fieldwork	Program Requirement	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 116 Level I Fieldwork I	Program Requirement	0.5	
Total Semester Credits			9.5	
Semester 4				
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 118 Assessment and Intervention	Program Requirement	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with Student Success Advisor Complete Civics Exam with 70% or higher
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 120 Pediatrics	Program Requirement	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 121 Level I Fieldwork II	Program Requirement	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 130 Kinesiology: Applied Analysis of Movement	Program Requirement	4	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 154 Applied Neurology	Program Requirement	2	
Total Semester Credits			14	
Semester 5				
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 201 Mental Health	Program Requirement	2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with Student Success Advisor to build degree plan
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 202 Physical Dysfunction: Applications for Practice	Program Requirement	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 203 Gerontology	Program Requirement	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 208 Therapeutic Interventions II	Program Requirement	4	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 212 Level I Fieldwork III	Program Requirement	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 217 Occupational Therapy Capstone	Program Requirement	2	
Total Semester Credits			15.5	
Semester 6				
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHA 222 Level II Fieldwork	Program Requirement	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply for Graduation Apply for jobs
Total Semester Credits			12	
Credits Required for A.A.S. Degree			81*	
<i>*The A.A.S in Occupational Therapy Assistant requires a minimum of 81* total credits to graduate. When selecting a course from multiple options, please consider the number of credits for each course to ensure meeting the minimum requirements for graduation.</i>				

This Pathway Map is an advising tool designed for full-time students and identifies the course recommendations for timely degree completion. All pathway maps can be modified to fit the individual needs of students. All students are encouraged to meet with their success advisor to develop an individualized completion plan that best meets their goals, interests, and objectives. Degree requirements and prerequisite information can be found here: [Occupational Therapy Assistant](#)

Please note:

- Courses may require a prerequisite or appropriate placement, see the [Academic Catalog](#) for additional information.
- This is a selective admissions program to which students must apply and be admitted. Please see the website for admission requirements.