

A Unit of the Technical College System of Georgia - Equal Opportunity Institution

Occupational Therapy Assistant Spring Semester 2020

Program Location: Canton Campus

OTA Program Admission:

Students seeking admission to the Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Program must be fully admitted to the college for Summer Semester 2019. To take pre-admission courses, students should enroll in the college's *Healthcare Science Certificate or Interdisciplinary Studies-Health Track*.

The OTA program has a competitive admission process. The selection criteria consist of Admission Points with a total value of **280 points**. See the OTA Admission Points Criteria sheet for additional information.

All students must have a CTC GPA of 2.0 or higher to be considered for program admission. If a student has all transfer credit, and does not have a CTC GPA, this requirement does not apply.

Transfer Students / Transfer Credit:

If you are a transfer student, you must be fully admitted to Chattahoochee Technical College by Summer Semester 2019. The College's document deadline for Summer Semester 2019 is **Friday, May 10, 2019.**

If you are transferring college credit into Chattahoochee Technical College, official transcripts must be received by the college's document deadline, **Friday, May 10, 2019**.

Program Information

The program requires four semesters to complete with the last semester including 16 weeks of full time Level II Fieldwork experience. Students are required to be full-time students for the duration of the program. For more information about occupational therapy, please visit <u>American Association of Occupational Therapy</u>.

Required Pre-Admission Course Work:

Complete the following pre-admission courses by Monday, August 5, 2019.

Course	Course Name	Credit	Grade
ALHS 1090	Medical Terminology	2	
BIOL 2113	Anatomy and Physiology I	3	
BIOL 2113L	Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1	
ENGL 1101	Composition and Rhetoric	3	
PSYC 1101	Introduction to Psychology	3	

Additional Required Courses:

The following pre-admission courses must be completed, or transferred into CTC's Banner system by **Friday, December 13, 2019** with a grade of "C" or higher:

Course	Course Name	Credit	Grade
BIOL 2114	Anatomy and Physiology II	3	
BIOL 2114L	Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1	
Humanities Elective	ARTS 1101, ENGL 2130, ENGL 2110, HUMN 1101, MUSC 1101, THEA 1101	3	
MATH 1111	College Algebra	3	
SPCH 1101	Public Speaking		
or	or	3	
COMM 1100	Human Communication		

Course Attempts and Point Calculations:

Students are allowed two attempts in the Anatomy and Physiology I and Anatomy and Physiology II courses that will be awarded as admission points. Should a student attempt these classes more than twice, only the first two attempts will be considered when calculating admission points.

ATI TEAS (Version 6):

Take the ATI TEAS by **Friday, August 2, 2019** and achieve a **minimum total adjusted score of 64**. A student may take the ATI TEAS two (2) times in a calendar year and must wait a minimum of 30 calendar days in between attempts. The ATI TEAS score is valid for five years.

The ATI TEAS is a standardized test that measures the student's ability in math, reading, grammar and science. A study guide and practice test can be purchased at <u>ATI</u>. The ATI TEAS is available through the Chattahoochee Technical College's <u>Testing Center</u>.

Application Session:

All students must attend an Occupation Therapy Assistant Application Session to complete a program application. Program Applications are only given out at the Application Sessions. A schedule of OTA Application Sessions will be posted on the OTA webpage.

Optional-Observation Hours

All hours must be submitted on or before **Monday, August 5, 2019 by 4:00 P.M.** in order to receive extra points. Observation hours received after this date and time will not be accepted.

Document awareness of the job requirements of an Occupational Therapy Assistant through volunteer occupational therapy observation and/or as an occupational therapy aide for a <u>minimum of 20 hours</u> in one of the following types of settings: Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF), Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility, Acute Care Hospital, or School System.

Please note: hours must be direct patient observation under the supervision of an Occupational Therapist or Occupational Therapy Assistant (cannot be clerical work in a facility). In addition, observation hours cannot be completed in an outpatient setting.

Each clinical observation site should be provided with a Documentation of Occupational Therapy Observation Form (found on the CTC OTA Program web page). Student should verify number of hours documented and second page of form should be completed by the supervising OT/OTA. The supervising OT/OTA should be provided with an envelope in which to place the form and the seal MUST then be signed by him/her in order to be valid (forms delivered in envelopes with unsigned seals will NOT be accepted). The observation form can be mailed or delivered to the following address:

Chattahoochee Technical College Health Sciences Office 5198 Ross Road Acworth, GA 30102

Final Class Selection:

Final class selection is based upon the total number of Admission Points. The students with the highest point value will be accepted into the program.

Academic Advisement:

Students should email a Health Sciences Advisor with questions about admission criteria or to schedule an advisement appointment:

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OTA Program Accreditation and Approval:

Chattahoochee Technical College 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, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20814-3449. To learn more about the accreditation call the telephone number (301) 652-AOTA or visit the ACOTE website. Graduates of the program 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.