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

Occupational Therapy Assistant Summer Semester 2024

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 Spring Semester 2024. 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 GPA of 2.0 or higher to be considered for program admission.

Transfer Students / Transfer Credit:

If you are a transfer student, you must be fully admitted to Chattahoochee Technical College by Spring Semester 2024. The College's document deadline for Spring Semester 2024 is **Friday, November 17, 2023**.

If you are transferring college credit into Chattahoochee Technical College, official transcripts must be received by the college's document deadline, **Friday, November 17, 2023**.

Program Information

The program requires four and one-half semesters to complete with the last two semesters 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 the [American Occupational Therapy Association](#).

Required Pre-Admission Course Work:

Complete the following pre-admission courses by **Monday, December 11, 2023**.

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	
BIOL 2114	Anatomy and Physiology II	3	
BIOL 2114L	Anatomy and Physiology II 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 **Monday, May 6, 2024** with a grade of “C” or higher:

Course	Course Name	Credit	Grade
HUMN Elective	ARTS 1101, ENGL 2130, ENGL 2110, HUMN 1101, MUSC 1101, THEA 1101	1	
MATH 1111	College Algebra	3	
SPCH 1101 or COMM 1100	Public Speaking or Human Communication	3	

Immunizations:

Chattahoochee Technical College does not require vaccinations as criteria for admission and enrollment of students; however, immunizations are required for college health programs by our clinical partners. Students may not complete clinical rotations without meeting clinical site immunization requirements. All required vaccinations must be complete prior to starting clinical practice. Students completing internships or practicums in other majors must adhere to all job site vaccination guidelines. Clinical and job site requirements can and do change without notice or input from the College.

Application/Information Session:

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

Optional Volunteer or Observation Hours:

All hours must be submitted on or before **Friday, April 12, 2024 by 12:00 P.M.** in order to receive extra points. Volunteer or observation hours received after this date and time will not be accepted. Volunteer hours may consist of any combination of volunteer/observation hours as follows:

Option 1: 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 minimum of 20 hours in one of the following types of settings: Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF), Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility, Acute Care Hospital, or Public 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 or 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/setting 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 them 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

Option 2: Document awareness of the requirements of an Occupational Therapy Assistant through volunteer experiences with members of the community with conditions or injuries commonly encountered when working in the field of OT for a minimum of 20 hours of direct encounter experience (cannot be clerical work, or supporting other volunteers). In addition, volunteer hours cannot be completed by performing physical activities such as a run, walk, jump roping, or dancing as a means of fundraising.

Each volunteer site or should be provided with a Documentation of Occupational Therapy Observation/Volunteer Form (found on the CTC OTA Program web page). Student should verify number of hours documented/setting and second page of form should be completed by the supervising Volunteer Coordinator or Organization Administrator. The supervising staff member should be provided with an envelope in which to place the form and the seal MUST then be signed by them 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:

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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. For a list of Health Sciences Advisor visit the [Office of Advisement](#) webpage.

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 6116 Executive Boulevard, Suite 200, North Bethesda, MD 20852-4929. 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.