



Huertas College
Vice-Presidency of Academic and Student Affairs

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT ASSOCIATE DEGREE

The Occupational Therapy Assistant Associate Degree at Huertas College is an academic program that prepares students to serve as Occupational Therapy Assistants. This program aspires to graduate health allied professionals of the highest quality following the standards of practice of the profession in the different areas of competence to enable them to exercise the profession successfully in different work scenarios. In its educational philosophy the program incorporates the importance of the occupation and the potential of the of everyday living activities to promote health and well-being. The program is based on the science of human behavior and incorporates in its curriculum scientific and clinical evidence based practices. The Occupational Therapy Assistant restores, supports, and modifies the environment to reinsert the individual with physical or emotional challenges into everyday life. The Occupational Therapy Assistant intervenes in all areas of occupational performance through the implementation of treatment plans under the supervision of an Occupational Therapist. All graduates of the program must take and approve licensing examination established by law to work as an Occupational Therapy Assistant in Puerto Rico. They must submit to the Board of Examiners of Occupational Therapy the diploma or graduation certificate, an official transcript of credits, and Criminal Background Certificate from the Puerto Rico Police Department.

PROGRAM CURRICULAR SECUENCE

FIRST SEMESTER

CODE	TITLE	CREDITS
ATOC 4301	Introduction to Occupational Therapy	3
BIOL 1124R	Anatomy and Physiology I	3
BIOL 1134	Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory	1
SOC 1015	General Psychology	3
REME 2201	Medical Terminology	3
		Total 13

SECOND SEMESTER

CODE	TITLE	CREDITS
ATOC 4302	Applied Kinesiology Occupational Therapy	1
ATOC 4302L	Applied Kinesiology Occupational Therapy Laboratory	2
ATOC 4303	Psychosocial Area Occupational Therapy	3
BIOL 1125	Anatomy and Physiology II	3
BIOL 1135	Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory	1
ESP 1021	Basic Spanish I	3

Total 13

THIRD SEMESTER

CODE	TITLE	CREDITS
ATOC 4304	Pediatric Occupational Theory	3
ATOC 4305	Occupational Therapy Applied to the Psychosocial Area	1
ATOC 4305L	Occupational Therapy Applied to the Psychosocial Area Laboratory	2
ATOC 4306	Health Concepts in Physical Dysfunction	2
ATOC 4306L	Health Concepts in Physical Dysfunction Laboratory	1
ESP 1022	Basic Spanish II	3
		Total 12

FOURTH SEMESTER

CODE	TITLE	CREDITS
ATOC 4307	Pediatric Therapeutic Media	2
ATOC 4307L	Pediatric Therapeutic Media Laboratory	2
ATOC 4308	Psychosocial Therapeutic Media	1
ATOC 4308L	Psychosocial Therapeutic Media Laboratory	2
ATOC 4309	Clinical Experience Level I	2
ING 1031	Basic English I	3
MAT 1041	General Mathematics	3
		Total 15

FIFTH SEMESTER

CODE	TITLE	CREDITS
ATOC 4310	Occupational Therapy Ethics and Effective Documentation	2
ATOC 4311	Physical Dysfunction Therapeutic Media	1
ATOC 4311L	Physical Dysfunction Therapeutic Media Laboratory	2
ATOC 4312	Geriatrics Occupational Therapy	2
ATOC 4313	Occupational Therapy Assistive Technology	2
ING 1032	Basic English II	3
		Total 12

SIXTH SEMESTER

CODE	TITLE	CREDITS
ATOC 4314	Clinical Experience Level II	14
		Total 14

The courses of the Occupational Therapy Assistant Associate Degree Program should be approved with a minimum grade of C (70%), other laboratories must be approved with a minimum grade of B (80%).

DISTRIBUTION OF HOURS / CREDIT	
General Education	18
Related courses	11
Concentration Courses	34
Internship/Practice	16
Total Credits	79

The Occupational Therapy Assistant Program is currently undergoing the two year accreditation process with the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE). ACOTE is located at 4720 Montgomery Lane, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20814-3449. ACOTE telephone number is: (301)652-AOTA and its Web Address is: www.acoteonline.org. If the institution obtains the accreditation, students admitted in the program will be able to take the National Board Examination of the U.S., otherwise they may take the Puerto Rico Board Examination.
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