

The Academic Plan is a semester-by-semester plan for the full-time student.

ACADEMIC PLAN		NOTES
Summer 1st Year		Semester 1
COL100, 101, or 136 First Year Experience	1-3	
BIO211 Anatomy and Physiology I	4	
Total Hours	5-7	
Fall 1st Year		Semester 2
ENG101(H) English Composition I	3	
PSY101(H) General Psychology	3	
BIO212 Anatomy and Physiology II	4	
Total Hours	10	
Spring 1st Year		Semester 3
OTA100 Foundations of Occupational Therapy	3	
OTA110 Physical Dysfunction in Occupational Therapy	3	
OTA111 Physical Dysfunction Performance Skills	2	
OTA125 Biomechanical Basis of Performance	4	
Total Hours	12	
Summer 2nd Year		Semester 4
EDU205; CIS125 Computer Proficiency (Met by exam or coursework)	0-3	
PSY205 Human Development	3	
OTA120 Professional Practice and Management I	1	
OTA105 Health Conditions	2	
Total Hours	6-9	
Fall 2nd Year		Semester 5
COM100(H) Fundamentals of Communication	3	
OTA130 Psychosocial Occupational Therapy	3	
OTA131 Psychosocial Performance Skills	2	
OTA140 Professional Practice and Management II	1	
OTA145 Applied Neurology	4	
OTA150 Level I Fieldwork A	1	
Total Hours	14	
Spring 2nd Year		Semester 6
OTA160 Level I Fieldwork B	1	
OTA210 Pediatric Occupational Therapy	3	
OTA211 Pediatric Performance Skills	2	
OTA220 Professional Practice and Management III	1	
OTA232 Environments and Assistive Technology	4	
HST103(H);PSC102(H) Constitution	3	
Total Hours	14	
Fall 2nd Year		Semester 7
OTA250 Level II Fieldwork A	6	
OTA160 Level II Fieldwork B	6	
OTA270 Fieldwork Seminar	1	
Total Hours	13	

Program Description:

The Occupational Therapy Assistant program at Jefferson College is an Associate of Applied Science Degree Program. It consists of 15-17 credit hours of prerequisite general education courses, an additional 9-12 credit hours of general education courses during the program, and 53 credit hours of OTA classroom instruction, labs, and fieldwork practicums.

Admission Requirements:

GPA of 2.5 or better, Health Care Work Keys Test with a 4 or better in all categories, 4 Observation Hours, an Essay, Application Packet and Application Fee of \$150.00.

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Division Chair: Kenneth Wilson, MHS, PT, CHT, SCS, ATC

Employment Outlook/Median Salary*:

Career	Degree Level Required	Growth**	Median Salary
Occupational Therapy Assistant	AAS	Employment of occupational therapy assistants and aides is projected to grow 41 percent from 2012 to 2022	\$53,240

**Employment information based on current Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook.*

***Projected % of change in employment 2012-2022; the average for all occupations is 11%.*

Jefferson College Program Highlights:

The Jefferson College Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) 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. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA and its web address is www.acoteonline.org.

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.*

Students must complete Level II fieldwork within 18 months following completion of the didactic portion of the program.

OTA Program Outcomes:

- The number of first-time test takers who passed the NBCOT Exam within 12 months of graduation is 100%.
- The percent of OTA graduates employed at 12 months as a COTA is 90%.

Transfer Information:

The OTA Program has transfer agreements set up with Missouri Baptist University and Central Methodist University. This will provide students the opportunity to continue on and earn a Bachelor's Degree in Healthcare Management.