

Program Features

Choosing Allegany College of Maryland for your Occupational Therapy Assistant training has many advantages:

Affordable tuition
Small class size
Flexible scheduling

Transfer Information

Students should recognize that this program is primarily designed to prepare students to work as Occupational Therapy Assistants after graduation and certification.

Students transferring to some four-year colleges and universities may not receive credit for OTA courses taken at Allegany College of Maryland.

Continuing Education

OTAs have the opportunity to continue their education by receiving a Master's degree in Occupational Therapy. Contact the American Occupational Therapy Association at (301) 652-2602 or www.aota.org for a list of such programs.



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Program Accreditation

Allegany College of Maryland's Occupational Therapy Assistant Program is accredited (August 2014) by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE), 6116 Executive Boulevard, Ste 200, North Bethesda, MD 20852-4929; (301) 652-2682 or <https://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), One Bank Street, Suite 300, Gaithersburg, MD 20878; (301) 990-7979 or <https://secure.nbcot.org/data/schoolstats.aspx>. After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA) and can obtain licensure in whatever state he/she chooses to be employed.

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For inquiries related to this policy, Title IX, and ADA/504, please contact: Dr. Renee Conner, Dean of Student and Legal Affairs, Title IX Coordinator, ADA/504 Coordinator, 301-784-5206 / rconner@allegany.edu

Allegany College of Maryland is required to inform prospective and current students of important College policies. For full details on these key policies, please visit the Allegany College of Maryland website at allegany.edu/policy-mandates.

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Program Overview

The Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA), working under the supervision of an occupational therapist, assists with evaluation and intervention for individuals whose ability to handle daily living tasks is impaired by injury, disease, aging, developmental deficits, or psychosocial dysfunction.

This associate in Applied Science degree is a program designed to prepare students to work as occupational therapy assistants.

Occupational Therapy Assistants help individuals learn to succeed in:

- ▶ Self-care
- ▶ School
- ▶ Work
- ▶ Play
- ▶ Leisure skills

Jobs are found in a variety of places:

- ▶ Hospitals
- ▶ Hospices
- ▶ Nursing homes
- ▶ Rehabilitation facilities
- ▶ Day care centers
- ▶ Public and private schools
- ▶ Private homes
- ▶ Mental health programs

Prerequisite Courses (Phase I)

- ▶ Freshman English I
- ▶ Mathematics Elective
- ▶ General Psychology
- ▶ Humanities Elective
- ▶ Human Anatomy and Physiology I & II
- ▶ Human Growth and Development
- ▶ Introduction to Occupational Therapy
- ▶ Diversity and Health Determinants

Major Course Requirements (Phase II)

- ▶ Dynamics of Human Motion
- ▶ Intervention Techniques I & II
- ▶ Intervention in Physical Rehabilitation
- ▶ Mental Health Concepts & Techniques
- ▶ Intervention with Children and Adolescents
- ▶ Intervention with the Older Adult
- ▶ Neuroscience Concepts
- ▶ OT Program Development
- ▶ Clinical Application to Neuroscience
- ▶ Specialty Skills Development
- ▶ Clinical Internship I & II
- ▶ Documentation for Occupational Therapy

▶ **Total Credit Hours: 70**

Admissions and Application Requirements

The OTA program is a 1+1 program. Students are required to complete all Phase I courses before applying to Phase II. Phase II is a selective admissions process, and completion of Phase I does not guarantee admission into Phase II.

Phase I Enrollment Requirements

Enrollment requirements are upon acceptance into Phase II, unless requested by the facility where you are completing observation hours.

- ▶ CPR certification
- ▶ Criminal record check
- ▶ Child abuse history clearance (for PA placements only)

Phase II Enrollment Requirements

- ▶ Successful completion of all Phase I courses with a grade of C or better.
- ▶ Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 for all Phase I courses.
- ▶ Professional interview.
- ▶ Minimum of 8 volunteer observation hours.*
- ▶ Deadline to apply: April 15

*Other Information

Please note, not all requirements are listed in full detail. For more information on specific requirements, please visit our website at www.allegany.edu/ota.