

SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Course Number: OTA 211 Department: Occupational Therapist Asst.

Course Title: OTA Practicum I Semester: Spring Year: 2016

Course Objectives and Competencies

At the completion of this course, the student should be able to meet the following objectives:

1. Explain the role and purpose of Occupational Therapy within a variety of settings and to people of various ages and cultural groups. (OTA Program Goals 1, 2)
2. Consistently communicate and interact with other team members and the individual's family or caregivers in a courteous, respectful, and effective manner. (OTA Program Goals 2, 5)
3. Maintain accurate, informative and timely records that meet documentation requirements as set forth by the affiliate. (OTA Program Goals 1, 2, 4, 6)
4. Contribute to the assessment of patient status, level of functioning, and potential through observation, interview and other data collecting methods. (OTA Program Goals 1, 2, 3, 4)
5. Participate responsibly in the supervisory relationship by seeking, accepting, and exchanging input and appropriately altering behaviors. (OTA Program Goals 1, 2, 4-6)
6. Function according to the AOTA Code of Ethics (AOTA, 2015) with regard to such matters as (OTA Program Goals 4, 5):
 - confidentiality
 - attire and grooming
 - handling of personal problems
 - promptness, dependability and independent learning
 - initiative and authority appropriate to program needs
7. Follow policies and procedures required in the setting, including infection control, safety, and emergency procedures. (OTA Program Goals 1, 4, 5)
8. Perform continuous quality improvement activities or program evaluation in collaboration with the registered occupational therapist. (OTA Program Goal 6)

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9. Maintain treatment area, equipment, and supply inventory as required, be aware of safety precautions and avoid accidents. (OTA Program Goals 1, 4, 5)
10. Demonstrate effective time management skills for scheduling, departmental maintenance and organization, treatment preparation and clean up, and other administrative functions. (OTA Program Goals 1, 4, 5, 6)
11. Identify and pursue professional growth and development to increase self-confidence regarding interpersonal skills, capabilities, and interests and the ability to be therapeutically effective. (OTA Program Goal 7)
12. Articulate the value of participating in professional and community activities that provide opportunities for continued growth, creative thinking, and challenge. (OTA Program Goals 2, 7)
13. Provide verbal and written instruction and appropriate information for staff, patients, and caregivers regarding treatment in a clear, understandable manner. (OTA Program Goals 2, 6)
14. Correctly administer assigned evaluation procedures with respect to individual age, diagnosis, and socio-cultural background. (OTA Program Goals 1, 2, 4, 5, 6)
15. Develop treatment goals and contribute suggestions for treatment modifications in conjunction with the registered occupational therapist when indicated. (OTA Program Goals 1, 2, 4, 6)
16. Select therapeutic techniques and activities and recognize their value when used with specific diagnostic categories and developmental levels of patients. (OTA Program Goals 1, 6)
17. Adapt intervention environment, activities, and therapeutic use of self with respect to individual needs, age, and socio-cultural background. (OTA Program Goals 1, 4, 6)
18. Provide direct services that follow documented routine and accepted procedures as set forth by the affiliate. (OTA Program Goals 1, 2, 4-6)
19. Develop discharge plans and contribute suggestions for program carry over in conjunction with the registered occupational therapist when indicated. (OTA Program Goals 1, 2 4, 6)