

# Occupational Therapy Assistant, AS

A joint AS degree program with Rutgers University, Scotch Plains, NJ Campus

## Academic Certificate

Academic Certificate  
Medical Coding

### Curriculum Code: OTA.AS

#### Program Information

The 74-credit joint Associate of Science Degree Program in Occupational Therapy Assistant is offered in collaboration with Rutgers Partner Colleges or Institutions. Students complete at least 32 general education credits at a College Partner as pre-requisite to the 42 credits of professional coursework at Rutgers. Admission to the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program at Rutgers, is competitive; completion of the pre-professional curriculum at a Partner College does not guarantee admission. **(NOTE: the Rutgers courses are offered at the Scotch Plains, NJ campus.)**

The 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](http://www.acoteonline.org)

Please visit the Rutgers OTA program website at <http://shp.rutgers.edu/dept/psyr/programs/asdota/>, for additional information.

#### When You Graduate

Graduates of an ACOTE accredited OTA program are 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, including New Jersey, require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination.

Upon completion of this program, students should be able to:

- Practice in a safe, ethical, and collaborative manner under the supervision of an occupational therapist in accordance with the regulations of the healthcare, educational, or community setting.
- Provide occupational therapy services to persons, groups, and populations from diverse experiences and cultures in health care, educational and community settings.
- Contribute to the evaluation process of the person, group, or population, by gathering information, implementing assigned assessments, and reporting results to the OT and treatment team.

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Program Requirements (74 credits) Credits

#### Year 1 @ Cumberland County College

##### Fall Semester

<input type="checkbox"/> BI 106 Anatomy & Physiology I	4
<input type="checkbox"/> EN 101 English Composition I	3
<input type="checkbox"/> PY 101 General Psychology	3
<input type="checkbox"/> MA 205 Statistics	3
<input type="checkbox"/> General Education Diversity Elective	3
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##### Spring Semester

<input type="checkbox"/> BI 107 Anatomy & Physiology II	4
<input type="checkbox"/> EN 102 English Composition II	3
<input type="checkbox"/> PY 207 Human Growth & Development	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SO 201 Introduction to Sociology	3
<input type="checkbox"/> PH 102 Introduction to Ethics	3
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#### Year 2 @ Rutgers University

##### Fall Semester

<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1010 Occupational Therapy Foundations for the OTA	3
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1019 Level I Fieldwork A: Integration & Practice Applications	1
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1020 Occupational Performance & Participation: Skills & Client Factors	3
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1031 Conditions Impacting Occupations, Participation & Health I: Adult/Older Adult	2
<input type="checkbox"/> PSRT 1102 Communication Techniques	3
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##### Spring Semester

<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1029 Level I Fieldwork B: Integration & Practice Applications	1
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1040 Occupational Performance & Participation: Therapeutic Applications	3
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1051 Principles & Practices I: Wellness & Mental Health	2
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1052 Principles & Practices II: Rehabilitation, Disability, Aging & Participation	3
<input type="checkbox"/> PSRT 1103 Group Dynamics	3
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##### Summer Session

<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1032 Conditions Impacting Occupation, Participation & Health II: Child/Adolescent	2
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1039 Level I Fieldwork C: Integration & Practice Applications	1
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1053 Principles & Practices III: Children & Youths	2
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 1071 Professional Seminar I	1
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##### Fall Semester

<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 2019 OTA Practice: Fieldwork II Adult/Older Adult	5
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 2029 OTA Practice: Fieldwork II Child/Adolescent	5
<input type="checkbox"/> OCTH 2072 Professional Seminar II	2
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**Total Credits 74**