






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

ACADEMIC PLAN			NOTES
<b>Spring 1<sup>st</sup> Year</b>		<b>Cr Hrs</b>	<b>Semester 1</b>
	COL100, 101, or 136 First Year Experience	1-3	
	BIO211 Anatomy and Physiology I	4	
	COM100(H) Fundamentals of Communication	3	
	HST103(H);PSC102(H) Constitution	3	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>11-13</b>	
<b>Summer 1<sup>st</sup> Year</b>			<b>Semester 2</b>
	ENG101(H) English Composition I	3	
	BIO212 Anatomy and Physiology II	4	
	PSY101 (H) General Psychology	3	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>10</b>	
<b>Fall 1<sup>st</sup> Year</b>			<b>Semester 3</b>
	OTA100 Foundations of Occupational Therapy	3	
	OTA110 Physical Dysfunction in Occupational Therapy I	3	
	OTA111 Physical Dysfunction Performance Skills I	2	
	OTA120 Professional Practice and Management	1	
	OTA127 Activity Analysis	3	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>12</b>	
<b>Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> year</b>			<b>Semester 4</b>
	OTA128 Physical Dysfunction in Occupational Therapy II	3	
	OTA129 Physical Dysfunction Performance Skills II	2	
	OTA130 Psychosocial Occupational Therapy	3	
	OTA131 Psychosocial Performance Skills	2	
	OTA140 Professional Practice and Management II	1	
	OTA150 Level I Fieldwork A	1	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>12</b>	
<b>Summer 2<sup>nd</sup> year</b>			<b>Semester 5</b>
	EDU205; CIS125 Computer Proficiency (Met by exam or coursework)	0-3	
	PSY205 Human Development	3	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>0-6</b>	
<b>Fall 2<sup>nd</sup> Year</b>			<b>Semester 6</b>
	OTA160 Level I Fieldwork B	1	
	OTA210 Pediatric Occupational Therapy	3	
	OTA211 Pediatric Performance Skills	2	
	OTA220 Professional Practice and Management III	1	
	OTA221 Older Adult Interventions	5	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>12</b>	
<b>Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> Year</b>			<b>Semester 7</b>
	OTA250 Level II Fieldwork A	6	
	OTA260 Level II Fieldwork B	6	
	OTA270 Fieldwork Seminar	1	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>13</b>	

**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 49 credit hours of OTA classroom instruction, labs, and fieldwork practicums.

**Admission Requirements:**

GPA of 2.5 or better, completion of the HESI A2 admissions test with a minimum required score of a 75% (or higher) for each of the following test sections: reading, comprehension, grammar, math, and vocabulary. In addition, a minimum score of 750 is required for the critical thinking section of the test. The applicant must also complete a set of essay questions, an application packet, and pay an application fee of \$150.00.

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**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 31 percent from 2018 to 2028	\$60, 220

*\*Employment and salary information based on current Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook. <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/occupational-therapy-assistants-and-aides.htm>*

**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 6116 Executive Boulevard, Suite 200, North Bethesda, MD 20852-4929. ACOTE’s telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA and its web address is [www.acoteonline.org](http://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 12 months following the start of Level II Fieldwork A.

**OTA Program Outcomes:**

- For the most up-to-date information on Jefferson College's OTA graduates' certification exam pass rates, please visit the National Board of Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) website at <https://www.nbcot.org/en/Educators/Home#SchoolPerformance>

**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 or a Post-Professional Bachelor's of Science in OTA.