

FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY  
Department of Rehabilitation Sciences

**Occupational Therapy Program Course Descriptions**

**OTH6002 Occupational Therapy History and Foundations**

History, philosophy, evolution, and core values of occupational therapy. The Occupational Therapy Framework, professional behaviors, ethical issues, and roles of occupational therapists and certified occupational therapy assistants are introduced. May be waived for students with equivalent undergraduate coursework in occupational therapy.

**OTH6009 Theory in Occupational Therapy**

Comprehensive study of theory underpinning current occupational therapy practice; clinical reasoning; application of theory in context.

**OTH6536 Occupational Performance Issues I**

Examination of infant through adolescent development of motor, process and interaction skills; occupational performance issues and patterns related to atypical development or disease; impact of an individual's developmental and occupational performance needs on the family.

**OTH6605C Occupational Performance Issues II**

Examination of typical changes in motor, process and interaction skills due to aging and disease processes, relationships to successful occupational performance patterns throughout adulthood, implications for changes in occupational performance and impact of changes on family.

**OTH6415C Human Motion in Activity**

Analysis of human movement incorporating mechanical, biological, developmental and environmental factors. Basic skills in assessment of motor performance are developed.

**OTH6226C Evaluation of Occupational Performance Issues I**

Comprehensive study of evaluation processes in occupational therapy using a top-down approach; assessments of occupational performance within developmentally appropriate contexts; assessment of performance skills and patterns.

**OTH6235C Occupational Therapy Interventions I**

Selection and implementation of therapeutic interventions consistent with occupational therapy theory as applied in specific context. Evaluation of client outcomes, review of occupational performance process, and ethical decision-making are emphasized.

**OTH6018 Professional Practice**

Introduction to skills for management of client's physical and occupational needs. Includes analysis of activity, therapeutic use of activity, therapeutic use of self, and basics of documentation.

**OTH6751C Occupational Therapy Research**

Applied research in occupational therapy. Critical analysis of published research, development of a research proposal, and planning for the implementation of a research project.

**OTH6853 Level IA Fieldwork**

Level IA Fieldwork is an integrated component of the curriculum design, introduces students to the fieldwork experience. Students begin developing clinical skills, working directly with clients, and actively participating under the supervision of qualified personnel.

**OTH6325C Practice in Behavioral Health**

Occupational therapy interventions focusing on functional performance outcomes for clients with psychosocial problems; evidence-based and client-centered methods for use in community, hospital, or rehabilitation-based programs are emphasized.

**OTH6523C Practice with Children**

Continuation of OTH6226C and OTH6235C. Evidence-based evaluation and interventions for children and their families; school-based traditional hospital or rehabilitation based, or community-based practice settings. Outcomes assessment and ethical decision-making are emphasized.

**OTH6707 Management and Supervision in OT**

Program planning, budgeting and evaluation; supervision of occupational therapy personnel; engagement in professional associations and promotion of occupational therapy.

**OTH6026 Group Process and Management**

Theory and practice of group dynamics; development of self-awareness and interpersonal communication skills necessary for successful management of therapeutic groups.

**OTH6973C Project Implementation**

Continuation course to implement research protocols in OTH6751C, Occupational Therapy Research; students will participate at selected community sites under the supervision of a faculty mentor and a designated member of the community agency staff; schedule and site varies with the project assignment.

**OTH6854 Level IB Fieldwork**

Level 1B Fieldwork continues the students' integration of practice. Students further develop skills by working directly with clients whose psychological and social factors impair their ability to engage in meaningful occupations under the supervision of qualified personnel.

**OTH6436C Adult UE Rehabilitation**

Continuation of OTH6226C and OTH6235C. Evidence-based evaluation and interventions for individuals with acute and chronic injuries or conditions of the upper extremity. Emphasis on splinting skill development.

**OTH6910 Directed Study**

Student groups carry out research planned in OTH6772, Outcomes Research, under the supervision of a faculty advisor, and write an article of publishable quality according to manuscript guidelines of an occupational therapy publication appropriate for research.

**OTH6106C Technology in Practice**

Examination of assistive technology and applications to enhance performance and prevent injury; analysis of need for assistive devices or environmental modification; application of technology in context; exploration of computer technology to enhance occupational therapy intervention.

**OTH6725 Community Practice Seminar**

Explores the role of occupational therapy in community settings. Students develop proposals for occupation-based or occupational therapy services that support desired outcomes of service agencies in the community. Field experience included.

**OTH6855 Level IC Fieldwork**

Level IC Fieldwork furthers integrates curriculum and practice through demonstration of clinical skills and professional behaviors when working directly with clients, and actively participating under the supervision of qualified personnel.

**OTH6845 Level IIA Fieldwork**

Level IIA Fieldwork is twelve-weeks of full-time fieldwork placement in a clinical or community setting under the direct supervision of a licensed occupational therapist. The course includes pre-fieldwork seminars and requires web board discussions.

**OTH6846 Level IIB Fieldwork**

Level IIB Fieldwork is twelve-weeks, full-time fieldwork placement in a setting different in service delivery context or population from Level IIA; under the direct supervision of a licensed occupational therapist. The course includes web board discussions.