

### Interdepartmental Correspondence

TO: Lynne Rowan, Director, School of Speech Pathology and Audiology

FROM: Mel Anthony May, Assistant Dean

DATE: October 8, 2008

**SUBJECT:** AAS OCAT Curricular Actions

Attached is the proposal to establish one new course and revise one course within the Associate of Applied Science in Occupational Therapy Assistant Technology.

Need, audience and precursors
 The need for these courses has been established through the accrediting agency and student feed-back. The audience is primarily OCAT declared majors.

- 2. Effect on current offerings
  The proposed courses have no effect on current offerings.
- 3. Effect on staffing
  The proposed courses have no effect on current offerings.
- 4. Effect on other units or programs

  The proposed courses have on effect on other units or programs.
- 5. Curricular bodies that have reviewed and approve this action
  The proposed courses have been reviewed and approved by the OCAT director at
  Ashtabula and East Liverpool campuses.

If you or the members of the curriculum committee have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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c: Harriett Bynum

#### **Proposal Summary**

Title: Creation and revision of courses in the Associate of Applied Science in Occupational Therapy Assistant Technology (AAS OCAT) effective Fall 2009.

**Subject Specification:** The intent of this proposal is to develop a 1 credit lab course to be completed by OCAT students in their first semester. It will provide an opportunity for students to receive instruction and hands-on opportunities in basic occupational therapy skills and techniques. These skills will be enhanced throughout the remaining OCAT curriculum. OCAT 10000 Introduction to Occupational Therapy will be reduced from 3 credit hours to 2 and the total hours required will remain 68.

Background Information: There are a number of reasons to develop this lab:

- 1. The material that the accrediting agency (ACOTE) requires to be presented to students has increased over the past year. By introducing basic occupational therapy skills and techniques in this lab course, increased time will be available to present the new material in other courses.
- 2. Introductory occupational therapy texts present information concerning history, philosophy, roles and responsibilties, ethical concerns, practice settings, the OT process, and new terminology, but do not address basic skills and techniques. Student evaluations indicate a desire to have actual hands-on opportunties in the Introduction to Occupational Therapy course to improve their understanding of the profession. A separate lab will give students hands-on opportunities.
- 3. Students have stated that they do not have enough time to develop competency in OT skills and techniques even with open labs. This lab will provide ample time for students to be introduce to and develop competency in basic OT skills and techniques.
- 4. A lab should not be attached to the Introduction to Occupational Therapy course because it is used by non-majors as an elective. By placing the actual occupational therapy skills and techniques in a separate lab, the Intro course will remain appropriate for students who are using the course as an elective.
- 5. Students have also indicated that they do not feel prepared for their first Level I fieldwork experience in the next semester. Having a basic knowledge of OT skills and techniques should decrease their anxiety by providing them with additional time to develop competency in the various skills.
- 6. To prevent the increase in the number of total credits to complete the program, the Introduction to Occupational Therapy course credit hours will be reduced.

Alternatives and Consequences: Introducing basic OT skills and techniques throughout the curriculum causes students to be overwhelmed due to decreased time to develop competency. There is also less time to address the new material as required by ACOTE. If the number of credit hours are not decreased for the Introduction to Occupational Therapy course adding a credit for the course lab will increase the total credit hours for the program.

**Specific Recommendation and Justification:** Establish a lab course to instruct students in basic occupational therapy skills and techniques and reduce the number of credits for the Introduction to Occupational Therapy course from 3 to 2. This will provide students lab time to develop competency in basic hands-on skills. These skills will be enhanced in other courses throughout the OT curriculum based on treatment setting, patient conditions and disabilities.

### Timetable and Actions Required:

School of Speech Pathology and Audiology Approval: November, 2008

College of Education, Health and Human Services Approval: November, 2008

EPC Approval: December, 2008 Faculty Senate Approval: December, 2008

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## **BASIC DATA SHEET**

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Course Subject	OCAT	Course Number	10003				
Course Title	Occupational Therapy Practice Skills Lab						
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3.00	Universal precautions & vital signs
3.00	Patient safety
3.00	Movement planes
3.00	Functional movement assessments
3.00	Basic massage techniques
3.00	Bed mobility
3.00	Basic transfer concepts & Assistance levels
3.00	Basic dressing techniques - upper body
3.00	Basic dressing technquies - lower body
3.00	Basic bathing techniques & draping
3.00	Other ADL & assistive devices
3.00	Basic wheelchair management & mobility
9.00	3 sessions for evaluation of competency

#### 45.00 Total Contact Hours

Textbook(s) Used in this Course Hand-outs

Writing Expectations

minimal

Instructor(s) Expected To Teach

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Instructor(s) Contributing to Content

H. Bynum, J. Mirabell, K. Swoboda

#### REQUIRED ENDORSEMENT

Department Chair School Director / Campus Dean

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2.00	Introduction to the profession - scope of services
2.00	History of Occupational Therapy
2.00	Philosophy of Occupational Therapy
2.00	Roles & responsibilities of the OT & OTA
2.00	Ethical concerns - Code of Ethics
2.00	The therapy process
2.00	Practice settings & OT across the lifespan
2.00	Therapeutic relationships
2.00	Intervention modalities
2.00	OT Practice Framework
2.00	Clinical reasoning
2.00	Professional organizations & current issues
6.00	Test, quizzes, presentation

#### 30.00 Total Contact Hours

Textbook(s) Used in this Course

Hussey, Sabonis- Chafee, O'Brienn, Introduction to Occupational

Therapy & Occupational Therapy Practice Framework, AOTA

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