

About the Program

The Associate in Science (A.S.) Degree in Occupational Therapy prepares students to function as an entry-level certified occupational therapy assistant (COTA).

Note: If you are considering employment in a state other than Florida, please visit <https://www.fscj.edu/academics/license-disclose> to determine if this program will meet the selected state's requirements to sit for licensure or certification testing.

This program requires a **minimum of 74 credit hours**. Total program hours may vary based on the student's individual academic degree plan. This program **is eligible** for financial aid.

Program Accreditation

The occupational therapy assistant 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 <https://acoteonline.org/>.

Program Requirements

This is a Limited Access Program. Students must follow the program application procedure and fulfill all requirements outlined in the college catalog. **Prerequisite courses** include:

- ENC 1101 - English Composition I **or** ENC 1101C - English Composition I Enhanced **or** ENC 1102 - Writing About Texts
- One General Education Mathematics course
- BSC 2085C - Human Anatomy and Physiology I
- BSC 2086C - Human Anatomy and Physiology II
- DEP 2004 - Human Growth and Development
- One General Education Humanities Core course
- One Civic Literacy course

*See the **program requirements** for general education course options.

The **application deadline** is the close of business on May 15 of each year with classes starting in the fall term.

Important for You to Know

This academic roadmap does not include developmental education courses in reading, writing, and/or mathematics or other prerequisite courses that you may be required to take. In addition, it does not include program graduation requirements.

See the college catalog for information regarding physical examinations, drug screenings and criminal background checks, as well as course modalities.

Program graduates are eligible to sit for the **national certification examination** 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). Most states require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination

A felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure. For official program pass rates, please visit NBCOT.org.

Additional Information

- ⇒ **Program Information**, including advisor contact details: <https://www.fscj.edu/2355>.
- ⇒ **Associate in Science Degree Information**, including graduation requirements: <https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/degree-certificate-programs/associate-in-science-degrees>.
- ⇒ ***Program Requirements:** <https://catalog.fscj.edu/programs/2355>.
- ⇒ **Math Pathways Information:** <https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/math-pathways>.

Sample Roadmap

This sample roadmap shows one possible pathway to program completion and may not be appropriate for all students.

Prior to enrolling in classes, please **meet with an advisor** for specific guidance about your individual academic degree plan. Some courses are offered only once per year; advising is critical for course progression.

This program includes a **Mathematical Thinking in Context math pathway**. This pathway is intended for students in the broadest range of programs of study. In this pathway, students will explore a variety of mathematical concepts utilizing multiple ways of thinking to formulate and solve problems in context.

Term 1

Course	Credits
OTH 1001 - Introduction to Occupational Therapy	3
OTH 1014C - Functional Anatomy I	3
OTH 1003C - Human Occupation Across the Lifespan	3
OTH 2300C - Mental Health in Occupational Therapy	3

Term 2

Course	Credits
OTH 1019C - Functional Anatomy II	3
OTH 2420C - Physical Rehabilitation in Occupational Therapy	4
OTH 1704 - Professionalism and Documentation in Healthcare	3
OTH 2602C - Occupational Therapy with the Geriatric Population	3
OTH 1800 - Occupational Therapy Practicum I (Level I Fieldwork)	2

Term 3

Course	Credits
OTH 1520C - Pediatrics in Occupational Therapy	4
OTH 2165C - Adaptive Living Skills	3
OTH 2432C - Neurological Rehabilitation in Occupational Therapy	5

Term 4

Course	Credits
OTH 2840 - Occupational Therapy Supervised Practice I (Level IIA Fieldwork)	5
OTH 2841 - Occupational Therapy Supervised Practice II (Level IIB Fieldwork)	5
OTH 2933 - Seminar for Clinical Practice	2