



COURSE SYLLABUS – Part I
Course Title: OTAP 2320-Practicum I
Credit Hours: (4 credit hours - 0 lecture 35 lab - T)

Course Description:

OTAP 2320 is the first of two eight-week assignments of advanced clinical experience under the supervision of a licensed occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant. The student will have 35 contact hours per week in the clinical setting. The student will have an in-depth experience in delivering occupational therapy services to a variety of clients and the application of purposeful and meaningful occupation across the lifespan.

Pre-Requisites: Successful completion of all prior OTAP courses

Co-Requisites: OTAP 2330.

Goals: Upon successful completion of Level II fieldwork, the student will complete the following at entry OTA competency:

1. Assist, as directed by OTR/L, in completing patient/client occupation-based evaluation intervention planning and discharge planning including need for referring clients for additional evaluation.
2. Provide therapeutic use of occupation and activities (e.g. occupation-based activity, practice skills, preparatory methods)
3. Follow through with, occupation-based intervention planning appropriately utilizing and grading treatment activities to meet patient/client goals.
4. Communicate in an effective and therapeutic manner with patients/clients.
5. Communicate effectively and work cooperatively with other members of the health care team.
6. Document OT services to ensure accountability of service provision and to meet standards for reimbursement of services, adhering to applicable facility, local, state and federal reimbursement agencies, including effectively documenting the need and rationale for OT services.
7. Display professional behavior and ethics in patient treatment, relationships with supervisor and co-workers, and management of time and other responsibilities.
8. Actively participate in service management aspects of O.T. service delivery.
9. Recognize the role and responsibilities of an OTA in different clinical settings.

10. Use sound judgment in regard to safety of self and others and adhere to safety regulations throughout the OT process.

Objectives: Additional specific goals and objectives are determined by the clinical supervisor.

- 1.01 Monitor and reassess, in collaboration with the client, caregiver, family, and significant others, the effect of OT intervention and the need for continued or modified intervention, and communicate identified needs to the occupational therapist
- 1.02 Facilitate discharge planning by reviewing the needs of the client, caregiver, family, and significant others; resources and discharge environment, and identify those needs to the occupational therapist, client and others involved in discharge planning including, but not limited to: identification of community, human and fiscal resources; recommendations for environmental adaptations; and home programming.
- 1.03 Recommend to the occupational therapist the need for termination of occupational therapy services when stated outcomes have been achieved or it has been determined that they cannot be achieved and assist with developing a summary of OT outcomes, recommendations and referrals.
- 3.01 Provide training in self-care, self-management, home management, and community and work integration.
- 3.02 Provide development, remediation, and compensation for physical, cognitive, perceptual, sensory (e.g. vision, tactile, auditory, gustatory, olfactory, pain, temperature, pressure, vestibular, proprioception), neuromuscular, and behavioral skills.
- 4.01 Provide therapeutic use of self, including one's own personality, insights, perceptions and judgments as part of the therapeutic process in both individual and group interaction.
- 5.01 Effectively communicate and work inter-professionally with those who provide services to individuals and groups in order to clarify each member's responsibility in executing an intervention plan.
- 6.01 Under the direction of an administrator, manager, or occupational therapist, collect, organize, and report on data for evaluation of practice outcomes.