

OTA 280 PROFESSIONAL TRANSITIONS

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Prerequisites: OTA 260 OR OTA 261

Corequisites: OTA 260 OR OTA 261

This course provides closure to the educational program in conjunction with clinical experience. Emphasis is placed on portfolio development and presentation, program evaluation, analysis and synthesis of clinical experiences, and final preparation for the certification examination. Upon completion, students should be able to enter the occupational therapy (OT) workforce with an understanding of themselves as OT professionals, and with supportive documentation demonstrating progress toward meeting competencies set forth by the profession and regulatory bodies. Course Hours per Week: Class, 0; Lab, 2; Clinical, 0. Semester Hours Credit: 1.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon completing requirements for this course, the student will be able to:

1. Articulate their own professional development in relation to the OTA program critical competencies.
2. Recognize the impact of the fieldwork experiences on the overall educational experience.
3. Critically analyze and reflect on their preparation for Fieldwork II in order to assist in the development of the OTA program curriculum.
4. Express ideas clearly and concisely in group discussions.
5. Complete resume, cover letter and response letter for employment seeking activities.
6. Demonstrate knowledge of applicable national requirements for certification and state requirements for licensure.
7. Identify strategies for ongoing professional development to ensure that practice is consistent with accepted standards.
8. Identify personal and professional abilities and competencies as they relate to job responsibilities.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND MATERIAL:

The textbook and other instructional material will be determined by the instructor.