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OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT | MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (23 courses; 61 credits)*

Departmental Core (15 courses; 40 credits)

- OTA 101 Introduction to Occupational Therapy (3)
- OTA 102 Conditions in Occupational Therapy (3)
- OTA 105 Analysis of Human Movement (3)
- OTA 106 Analysis of Human Movement Lab (1)
- OTA 201 Intervention Skills for Psychosocial/Mental Health (3)
- OTA 211 Intervention Skills for Psychosocial/Mental Health Lab (1)
- OTA 206 Level 1 Field Work: Psychosocial/Mental Health (1)
- OTA 203 Pediatrics (3)
- OTA 213 Pediatrics Lab (1)
- OTA 205 Professional issues (3)
- OTA 207 Intervention Skills for Physical Disabilities (4)

- OTA 208 Intervention Skills for Physical Disabilities Lab (1)
- OTA 209 Level I Fieldwork: Physical Disabilities (1)
- OTA 220 Level II Fieldwork: Part A (6)
- OTA 223 Level II Fieldwork: Part B (6)

Cognate Courses (8 courses; 20 credits)

- BIO 240 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (3)
- BIO 241 Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (1)
- BIO 250 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (3)
- BIO 251 Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab (1)
- PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (3)
- PSYC 211 Abnormal Psychology (3)
- SOC 108 Human Growth and Development (3)
- STAT 109 Statistics (3)

REACH CURRICULUM (6 courses, 16 credits)

The Freshman Experience

- ~~IMU101 Introduction to Mercyhurst (1)~~
- COMP120 Research and Writing (3)

Associate Degree students must take 4 courses from the REACH categories below. One MUST be in the Reason and Faith category

R: Reason and Faith (CST, PHIL, RLST)

- _____
- _____

E: Expression and Creativity (ENG and ART, DANC, MUS, THEA)

- _____
- _____

A: Analytic Thought (MATH, STAT and BIO, CHEM, GEOL, PHYS, SCI)

- _____
- _____

C: Humans in Connection (ECON, HIS, POLI)

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H: Humans in Connection (ANTH, PSYC, SOC, WL)

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* Some major requirements may also fulfill components of the REACH curriculum

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Year	Major Requirements	REACH Curriculum	Credits
Year 1 Fall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OTA 101 Introduction to Occupational Therapy (3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COMP 120 Research and Writing (3) • PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (3) • STAT 109 Statistics (3) • BIO 240 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (3) • BIO 241 Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (1) 	16
Year 1 Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BIO 250 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (3) • BIO 251 Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab (1) • OTA 102 Conditions in Occupational Therapy (3) • OTA 105 Analysis of Human Movement (3) • OTA 106 Analysis of Human Movement Lab (1) • PSYC 211 Abnormal Psychology (3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOC 108 Human Growth and Development (3) 	17
Year 1 Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OTA 201 Intervention Skills for Psychosocial/Mental Health (3) • OTA 211 Intervention Skills for Psychosocial/Mental Health Lab (1) • OTA 206 Level I Fieldwork: Psychosocial/Mental Health (1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • REACH Elective course of your choice* (3) 	8
Year 2 Fall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OTA 203 Pediatrics (3) • OTA 213 Pediatrics Lab (1) • OTA 205 Professional Issues (3) • OTA 207 Intervention Skills for Physical Disabilities (4) • OTA 208 Intervention Skills for Physical Disabilities Lab (1) • OTA 209 Level I Fieldwork: Physical Disabilities (1) 		13
Year 2 Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OTA 220 Level II Fieldwork: Part A (6) • OTA 223 Level II Fieldwork: Part A (6) 		12

TOTAL CREDITS 66

* At least one REACH course must fulfill the *Reason and Faith* requirement.

Please Note: This plan represents a suggested plan of completion. Offerings may vary by year; therefore, adjustments made need to be made depending on University resources. Please see your faculty advisor to discuss any issues or questions about actual or anticipated course offerings. **All students and advisors are encouraged to use Student Planning to continually monitor their Official Degree Progress.**