

# STEP-BY-STEP APPLICATION CHECKLIST FOR THE

## Occupational Therapy Assistant STUDENT

- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete the MGCCC College Admission Requirements
- \_\_\_\_\_ Visit the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program Website page (located under Programs/ Nursing & Health Professions).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Review and Complete the **Mandatory** Pre-Health Sciences Orientation Session (*See website to access*)

### Register for and successfully complete the following Prerequisites

- \_\_\_\_\_ Achieve a minimum composite score of 18 or above on the ACT
- \_\_\_\_\_ Register for and successfully complete the HESI A2 Exam (Check the program website regarding Registration, Testing, Remediation, and Re-testing)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Achieve a GPA of 2.5 on College work with no grade less than “C” on any academic core courses.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Obtain a Criminal Background Check from a MGCCC Campus Police office. The CBC result is required prior to submitting the application. Please check the program’s website for the Campus Police testing times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Successfully **complete**, all of the following General Education courses.

- BIO 2514 – Anatomy and Physiology I \*
  - BIO 2524 – Anatomy and Physiology II
  - ENG 1113 – English Composition I
  - SPT 1113 – Public Speaking
  - PSY 1513 – General Psychology
  - Humanities/Fine Arts Elective
- \* students must complete General Biology I prior to being enrolled in Anatomy and Physiology I unless they have a 21 on the science portion of the ACT

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Prior to the deadline, but after successful completion of the above program entry requirements, submit the supplemental Occupational Therapy Assistant Application. (See website for steps on submitting the application). Contact an Enrollment Specialist at a campus of your choice for additional questions.**

The associate-degree-level 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 [www.acoteonline.org](http://www.acoteonline.org). Graduates of the program will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapy assistant 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). In addition, all states require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination. Note that a felony conviction may affect a graduate’s ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure

<b><u>Application Deadline: November 1<sup>st</sup></u></b> (Applications accepted beginning August 15 <sup>th</sup> )
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(If deadline falls on a weekend, holiday, or college closing, the deadline is 5 p.m. on the next college business day)

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