

TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Salem State University
Occupational Health Studies Program

and

North Shore Community College
Occupational Therapy Assistant Program

February 2018

Salem State University and North Shore Community College, in recognition of a valuable and barrier free public academic experience, have created a transfer articulation agreement between the Occupational Therapy Department at Salem State University and the Occupational Therapy Department at North Shore Community College. The Bachelor of Science in Occupational Health Studies is offered in the evening through the Division of Continuing Education. This degree program transitions into and culminates as a Master of Science Degree in Occupational Therapy.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To encourage the transfer of qualified students from North Shore Community College to Salem State University.
2. To award academic credit for courses completed at North Shore Community College that meet the terms of the **Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Associate Degree**, for application toward the requirements of the **Bachelor of Science in Occupational Health Studies Degree**, at Salem State University.
3. **Important Note:** The Department of Occupational Therapy at Salem State University offers a unique, combined bachelor's and master's degree program designed to prepare certified occupational therapy assistants (COTA's)

for the transition to registered therapist (OTR). **This agreement pertains to the Bachelor of Science portion of this degree program, referred to as the Bachelor of Science in Occupational Health Studies Degree. Certified occupational therapy assistants interested in becoming a registered occupational therapist must complete the combined BS/MS degree program to qualify for the national certification examination.**

4. To provide effective and concise guidelines for students seeking to transfer to Salem State University. Students will have accurate and clear information regarding the transfer of their coursework and credits toward the Bachelor's Degree at Salem State University.

TERMS OF THE TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT:

1. Salem State University guarantees the acceptance of students who completed the **Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA)** Degree at North Shore Community College with an overall GPA of 3.0 or better to the Bachelor of Science in Occupational Health Studies Degree, at Salem State University. Students with a GPA of below 3.0 may be considered for admission upon approval of the Occupational Therapy Department Chairperson.
2. Salem State University guarantees the transfer of credit as stipulated in the attached Program of Studies. This agreement assumes the completion of the Associate Degree and completion of the courses listed on the Program of Studies.
3. **No more than 68 credits will transfer from a two-year institution, or any combination thereof, to Salem State University.**
4. North Shore Community College transfer students will be subject to all general education requirements of Salem State University as set forth in the Salem State University catalog.
5. This document is based upon the faculty evaluation of course descriptions presented to Salem State University. Courses as listed in this agreement will transfer to Salem State University provided a grade of 'C-' or better has been earned. Whenever and wherever appropriate, the requirements of the Commonwealth Transfer Compact and / or Mass Transfer will be honored.
6. **Anatomy and Physiology I and II must have been taken within ten years prior to matriculation into the program.**
7. This agreement shall remain in effect for a period of three years from the date listed below, with the provision that the terms specified herein will continue to apply to students admitted from North Shore Community College's **Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA)** Associate Degree program within one year of the expiration of the agreement. Each institution agrees to provide timely notice to the other in the event of any modification to the curriculum that might affect compatibility for admission and transfer of coursework. This agreement is subject to the requirements of Salem State University's program accrediting agency, ACOTE (Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education).
8. Students admitted to the North Shore Community College **Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA)** Degree program prior to such notification shall be admitted to Salem State University on the basis of this agreement subject to Salem State University Admissions requirements.

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Agreement Approved on (date):

North Shore Community College Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Program TO Salem State University Bachelor of Occupational Health Studies Program				
NSSC Course	Credits	SSU Course	Credits	How Course will A
BIO211 Anatomy and Physiology 1	4	BIO 200 Anatomy and Physiology I <i>(Must have been taken within the last ten years)</i>	4	Required Major Su (Also satisfies Gene Reasoning require
CMP101 Composition 1	3	ENL 105 Introduction to College Writing	3	Free Elective (In pl Seminar exemption
PSY102 Introductory Psychology	3	PSY 101 General Psychology	3	Required major sup

BIO212 Anatomy & Physiology 2	4	BIO 201 Anatomy and Physiology II <i>(Must have been taken within the last ten years)</i>	4	Required Major Su (Also satisfies Gen Reasoning require
CMP102-150 Composition 2 Elective	3	ENL 110 Foundations of Writing	3	General Education Communication Le
PSY204 Human Growth and Development	3	PSY218 Childhood and Adolescence	3	Required major su
OTA101 Orientation to Occupational Therapy (4 cr.)	50	OTAT21 Advanced Placement Credits	21	Major requiremen
OTA103 Therapeutic App. of Modalities 1 (4 cr.)		PSY215 Abnormal Psychology	3	Required major su
OTA105 Introduction to Group Process (1 cr.)		OCTT61 OCT Free Elective	4	Free Electives
OTA104 Therapeutic App. of Modalities 2 (4 cr.)		OCTT62 OCT Free Elective	4	
OTA108 Medical Specialties (4 cr.)		OCTT63 OCT Free Elective	3	
OTA110 Plan & Imp. of Prog for Health & Well (4 cr.)		OCTT64 OCT Free Elective	3	
OTA112 Leadership & Mgmt. in Occ. Therapy (2 cr.)		PSY321 Group Dynamics	3	
OTA201 Therapeutic App. of Modalities 3 (3 cr.)				
OTA202 Advanced Group Process (1 cr.)				
OTA203 Mental Health Concepts in Occupational Therapy Practice (3 cr.)				
OTA207 Occ Therapy for Pediatric Populations (4 cr.)				
OTA220 Current Topics in Occ. Therapy (2 cr.)				
OTA204 Level 2 Fieldwork Practice 1 (6 cr.)				
OTA206 Seminar in Occupational Therapy (2 cr.)				
OTA208 Level 2 Fieldwork Practice 2 (6 cr.)				
Total Program Credits:	70	Total Transfer Credits:	61	Total Transfer App