

Western Student Learning Results (Program Outcomes) for 2012

Source: Student

of Grads: 12

Program: Occupational Therapy Assistant

of Responses: 12

Outcome	Yes	No	Unk	NA	Result	Feedback
What did you like about this program?	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	I like that it was very hands on and direct for the most part. We discussed a wide variety of topics which was helpful.
					Yes	I liked the support of the teaching staff, and the variety of learning activities.
					Yes	The program helped me feel very prepared going into fieldwork.
					Yes	That the teachers were readily available for you when needed to ask a question when on campus. It was a little more difficult when off campus at the fieldwork site.
					Yes	I liked the hands on experience along with the learning from the book in and out of class. I thought it was an overall excellent program and provided me with the knowledge I need to be an entry level COTA.
					Yes	Being hands on
					Yes	I liked that it was a spiral curriculum once FW came around everything came together.
					Yes	Very informative and educational. Instructors are knowledgeable and prepare you for the field.
					Yes	I felt very prepared for FW and had learned in depth many of the basic techniques to go into FW. Requirements were clearly laid out for each class also. Instructors were always available and willing to help.
					Yes	The spiral curriculum was helpful, once I got to fieldwork everything sort of clicked. I also thought the instructors were very knowledgeable (Chris in particular) about subject matter.
What would you change about this program?	11 91.67%	1 8.33%	0	0		
					Yes	Modality Training
					Yes	More hands on. More task analysis. More directions.
					Yes	I would suggest having one day of seminar during spring break to go over NBCOT and state licensure information early to reduce confusion.
					Yes	It would be beneficial to have more opportunities to interact with clients of different practices of OT (for example more interaction for pediatric or mental health populations.)
					Yes	I would like to have had more in depth information for specific diagnoses to better prepare for out-patient rehab settings. ADLs, ROM, and grading activities was covered well, but the specific diagnoses involving the anatomy of UE would be more helpful.
					Yes	I honestly would not change anything about this program.
					Yes	I would change some of the overall assignments because some of the service learning projects were repetitive and didn't seem to be very beneficial to my learning experience. I also felt certain topics could have been discussed more in depth.

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					Yes	The second semester of the program was kind of overwhelming, the content of the courses was a lot to manage. Also allotting a day to go over resume writing and NBCOT/State licensure processes would be very beneficial vs. having to do it online!
					Yes	The community service project at the LaCrosse housing was difficult to meet with and getting to know the residence, so I feel I that I didn't get as much out of it as I could have.
					Yes	I would keep it a 2 year program and have the summers off. It maybe a hard semester in the spring but if you have a family and friends who want to hang out then you wont have a summer. It would make it hard to decide what classes to take in the summer. I did not care for all the busy work that was in a couple of the classes. It got the be very repatitive when looking online and in books for AE. for a couple hours.
					No	I have no idea what the questions are under "Program Outcome"
Use effective communication skills.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Yes the teachers are good with communication, and it is a two way street. If you are not getting a hold of the teacher to ask a problem then it can not be fixed in a timely manner.
					Yes	Effective communication skills are very vital for success, not only are they used in the classroom yet it is carried over into your fieldwork experience as well. Communication is a key baseline for success.
					Yes	For the most part yes. Some of the assignments on online classes were difficult to understand, they could've been discussed with further detail.
					Yes	Spent a lot of time going over SOAP notes, maybe touching base on the electronic forms of documentation that are out there would be helpful since a lot of facilities are now using those.
					Yes	Communication is a neccessity for all aspects of the OTA program. This was integrated quite well.
					Yes	Teaching staff effectivly communicated what was expected of us, using a varity of methods, such as video, handouts and hands on.
					Yes	We learned how to communicate effectively throughout the program and I feel it helped me a lot.
					Yes	Presentations and group leading helped with preparing for better communication skills.
Apply mathematical concepts.	10 83.33%	2 16.67%	0	0		
					Yes	Mathematical concepts were not applicable.
					Yes	I don't recall touching on this subject at all.
					Yes	N/A
					Yes	Yes and No
					Yes	Somewhat, you need basic math skills, however nothing that can't be completed via calculator or mental math.
					Yes	N/A
					No	I used mathematical concepts, but not as a result of the program.
Transfer social and natural science theories into practical applications.	11 91.67%	1 8.33%	0	0		
					Yes	N/A
					Yes	Was very helpful!

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					Yes	I used learning from education throughout my entire life during this program.
					Yes	Spent a lot of time on theories and applying them to practical situations, although throughout fieldwork practice framework and theories were never mentioned.
					Yes	Very much so, you are constantly adapting and transferring theories and applying them to daily situations.
					No	We could have worked more on this. Theories were just a big blur and were very hard to understand.
Demonstrate ability to think critically.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Critical thinking was demonstrated and followed out very well throughout the program and prepared me for my future career.
					Yes	I feel after finally attending Fieldwork this task was achieved.
					Yes	Yes, adaptation, and quick thinking is often used when working in the field in your fieldwork
					Yes	This was true throughout the curriculum.
					Yes	You must be able to think critically during fieldwork and during practical exams.
					Yes	I think that this was shown really well with the assignments and projects.
					Yes	Good challenge of this during the program.
Demonstrate ability to value self and work ethically with others in a diverse population.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	It makes you look at yourself and the population that you are working with to realize that you do not have it bad off. There are many people out in the world that do not have a job and or are unable to obtain a job. OT is a growing field that helps people and is unappreciated and not recognized even though we know it enriches peoples lives.
					Yes	Yes, but our program was unfortunately not very diverse.
					Yes	Being ethical was strongly stressed.
					Yes	This was achieved throughout class and fieldwork.
					Yes	This was applied very well in our curriculum of courses and assisted to work with a variety of populations.
					Yes	More pediatric involvement throughout program!
					Yes	Yes, you are held responsible to be ethical and just in all your actions as a therapist, as a students as well.
Use technology effectively.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Technology is a developing skills and is becoming more and more vital in the health care industry.
					Yes	Yes every Tuesday we were on the computer for at least 2 hours looking up adaptive equipment.
					Yes	I have achieve this but this program did not help me use technology effectively.
					Yes	We used technology effectively for many different situations throughout the program.
					Yes	Could expose students to electronic documentation.

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Make decisions that incorporate the importance of sustainability	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	LOVED the field trip for AgriAbility!
					Yes	Yes, decisions are constantly made that require critical thinking to develop a plan that will best fit and contribute to the particular situation.
					Yes	Yes
Adhere to the ethical standards, values, and attitudes of the occupational therapy profession.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Strongly stressed
					Yes	Ethics is very important when working with people therefore this was achieved throughout the program.
					Yes	Yes
					Yes	Yes, this is key in all you do. Represent yourself, your school, etc in an ethical and professional way. It's not a choice, it's a matter of fact, you need to possess these qualities to be a respectable and successful therapist.
Practice within the distinct role and responsibility of the occupational therapy assistant.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Yes.
					Yes	Consistently achieved throughout the entire program.
					Yes	Strongly stressed.
					Yes	For the most part. My second fieldwork rotation was not necessarily somewhere COTAs work within...but it was a unique situation where my supervisor quit her clinic job to become a private Early Intervention provider.
					Yes	Yes we are given multiple case studies and opportunities to practice mock treatments.
Advocate for the profession, services, and consumers.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Through community practice and fieldwork projects we were all advocates for the profession.
					Yes	Client centered was stressed
					Yes	Yes, remind people about OT and how much fun we have.
					Yes	Yes
Value life-long learning and the need to keep current with best practice.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	It is key to keep up on cont. education. that is how you will keep up on the learning.
					Yes	Yes, life long learning is taught to be important and a continual process, what you learn today and tomorrow will contribute to the overall picture, but you need to have the determination to continue learnign even after graduation and hwen working in the field.

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Apply occupational therapy principles and intervention tools to achieve expected outcomes.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Yes
					Yes	Yes.
Serve a diverse population in a variety of systems that are consistent with entry level practice.	12 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Worked with a diverse population of individuals throughout the program.
					Yes	Yes. I was able to go to the school system, work with orthos, inpatient, outpatient and home health.
					Yes	Very much so, your classes prepare you for this, yet fieldwork is an excellent opportunity to capitalize on the diverse populations.
Aggregate Assessment of Achievement	176 97.78%	4 2.22%	0	0		