



Student Learning Outcome Assessment

Occupational Therapy Assistant
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“Please use this space to share any other feedback, comments, or suggestions about your experience at Western Technical College.”

OVERALL EXPERIENCE

1. What did you like about this program?

Text Response

I like the relationships that were made with the students and faculty over the 2 years together. I also thought that I was well prepared to enter the field after getting through the program.

2 year program

Very hands-on. 20 students per class which makes the classes more individual and close-knit. I like that it is hands on and you are able to work close with the instructors. I learn very well from hands on with small classes.

Lab was my favorite. It allowed us to be hands on.

Lab and other hands on assignments

Lab, getting hands on

Being able to complete the program in under 3 years.

2 year program

Very detailed learning and allowed all forms of learning(visual,kinetic, hands on)

2 year program, hands on, instructors are always there to help us

I liked that this was a two year program. There was a lot of hands on learning and many opportunities to challenge myself and learn an awesome career.

Prepared us for our career with the skills that we will need to go out into the workforce.

I like that the program stands for client centered care.

That it prepared you for FW and employment.

I enjoyed that hands on experiences I got with this program. I'm so glad this program included field work rotations at the end, as I was able to apply all of my knowledge I learned in my classes to real life experiences!!

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	16

2. What would you change about this program?

Text Response

I think the timing of certain projects could be better as well as the amount of small assignments that didn't really contribute to my learning of the subject matter.

Nothing

There are a lot of "busy work" assignments that didn't add much to my knowledge.

I would add ore blended or online classes with certain courses. I felt like some we're pointless to come into campus for and that part could be online.

The amount of homework during fw. Less db

Less DB during FW

N/A

No spring break in between fieldworks to make up time missed.

Nothing

The long summer break I felt could benefit for a course to be over summer to keep knowledge up.

nothing

Nothing

It would be really nice to have a break between fieldwork rotations.

I feel that this program is very well rounded. At times it was very frustrating with the work load. Even at fiedlwork other students did not have as much work as our program.

The cut throat you make a mistake and your out might be fine if student loans were not involved. The stress was a lot to deal with and it's sad in this day and age one has to go into debt to pay for your own job training.

Nothing!

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	16

CORE ABILITIES

3. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I have learned effective communication skills.	0	0	0	5	12	17

4. Provide any comments you have on effective communication skills you learned.

Text Response

How to communicate professionally

Through out fieldwork I was challenged to use the communication skills I learned in the classroom such as therapeutic listening and empathy. Also to be an advocate for myself and clients.

I feel that I have become better with my professional communication skills throughout this program, especially with having FW for the past 16 weeks.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

5. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I am able to apply mathematical concepts.	0	1	2	10	4	17

6. Provide any comments you have on mathematical concepts you learned.

Text Response

Throughout fieldwork I had to be conscious of RUG levels, MMT, goineometry,ROM, etc. All utilize mathematics that are essential for documentation.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	1

7. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I learned how to transfer social and natural science theories into practical applications.	0	0	0	12	5	17

8. Provide any comments you have on transferring social and natural science theories into practical applications.

Text Response

Making splints was a great experience, but I was glad it was more towards the end of our classes, as it was a bit stressful at first!

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	1

9. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I learned critical thinking skills.	0	0	0	3	14	17

10. Provide any comments you have on critical thinking skills you learned.

Text Response

Through my CQI project at my FW rotation, I was able to apply evidenced based research to an actual experience to make customer service with patients that much better.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	1

11. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I have learned to use technology effectively.	0	1	0	9	7	17

12. Provide any comments you have on what you learned about using technology effectively.

Text Response

Had a solid base beforehand.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	1

13. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I have learned to value myself and work ethically with others in a diverse population.	0	0	0	6	10	16

14. Provide any comments you have on what you learned about valuing yourself and working ethically with others in a diverse population.

Text Response

I feel that I have developed my confidence over the course of this program. I really feel that I know who I am now and want to help other be the best they can be too.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	1

15. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I am able to make decisions that incorporate the importance of sustainability.	0	0	1	9	7	17

16. Provide any comments you have on what you learned about incorporating the importance of sustainability in decisions you make.

Text Response

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	0

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

17. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
demonstrate professional behaviors, ethical standards, values, and attitudes of the occupational therapy profession.	0	0	0	7	10	17

18. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

I feel that I have developed my professional behaviors throughout this program and am so ready to support the OT profession through my career.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	1

19. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
practice within the distinct role and responsibility of the occupational therapy assistant.	0	0	0	6	11	17

20. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

I have felt the transition between practicing OT as a student to becoming an OTA graduate within the past 16 weeks at FW and during practicals. Practical really helped me to apply knowledge and practice for FW

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	1

21. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
advocate for the profession, services, and consumers.	0	0	0	9	7	16

22. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

Being able to communicate what occupational therapy to a diverse population was utilized through fieldwork.

I enjoyed making an OT promotion project at my FW placement

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	2

23. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
value life-long learning and the need to keep current with best practice.	0	0	0	7	10	17

24. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

I'm excited to continuing education courses to keep up with current OT

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	1

25. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
apply occupational therapy principles and intervention tools to achieve expected outcomes.	0	0	0	6	11	17

26. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	0

27. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
serve a diverse population in a variety of systems that are consistent with entry level practice.	0	0	0	8	9	17

28. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	0

CONCLUSION

29. Please use this space to share any other feedback, comments, or suggestions about your experience at Western Technical College.

Text Response

It is a very good program and I really enjoyed it. I feel that I am well prepared for the field now. Very intense program and makes it difficult to work a job, due to class projects. Overall it was an amazing experience. I know I will be able to find a job that I know I will love thanks to this program.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3