

# TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

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**Salem State University**

Bachelor of Science in Occupational Health Studies

**and**

**Quinsigamond Community College**

Associate of Science, Occupational Therapy Assistant

**Spring 2022**

Salem State University and Quinsigamond Community College, in recognition of a valuable and barrier free public academic experience, have created a transfer articulation agreement between the **Bachelor of Science in Occupational Health Studies** at Salem State University and the **Associate of Science, Occupational Therapy Assistant** at Quinsigamond 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 Quinsigamond Community College to Salem State University.
2. To award academic credit for courses completed at Quinsigamond Community College that meet the terms of the Associate Degree for application toward the requirements of the Bachelors program 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**.  
Students graduating from the Salem State undergraduate component of the program in summer must complete and submit the following documents to the Graduate Coordinator by June 1<sup>st</sup>:
  - Completed BS in Occupational Health Studies from Salem State University
  - Graduate Review Form Reflective Portfolio Writing Assignment
  - Current GPA
  - Application to Graduate Program  
  - ❖ 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 complete the **Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA)** Degree at Quinsigamond Community College **with an overall GPA of 3.0 or better** to the Bachelor of Science in Occupational Health Studies 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.
  - a. All courses required in the QCC OTA program will be accepted as general education, required support, or elective course work in the Salem State University Bachelor of Science in Occupational Health Studies degree.
  - b. Graduates of the OTA program who are certified as COTA's are awarded 21 Advanced Placement credits.

3. No more than 75 credits will transfer from a two-year institution, or any combination thereof, to Salem State University.
4. Quinsigamond 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. The QCC program does not include the MassTransfer Gen Ed Foundation, however, some students may present having met the terms of the policy. Whenever and wherever appropriate, the requirements of the MassTransfer Gen Ed Foundation will be honored.
6. **Anatomy and Physiology I and II must have been taken within ten years prior to matriculation into the program at Salem State University.**
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 Quinsigamond Community College's **Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA)** program within one year of the expiration of the agreement. This agreement is subject to the requirements of Salem State University's program accrediting agency, ACOTE (Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education).
8. 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. Students admitted to the Quinsigamond Community College Associate of Science Occupational Therapy Assistant Degree program prior to such notification shall be admitted to Salem State University on the basis of this agreement.

Institutional Approvals

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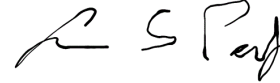


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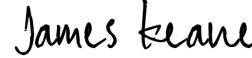
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## Articulation Agreement – Salem State University and Quinsigamond Community College

### QCC Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Program to SSU Occupational Health Studies Program

Complete QCC's Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Program:					Complete at Salem Following Transfer to Complete SSU Program:				
Course Title	Credits	Transfers as SSU Course	Credits	How it applies to SSU program:				Credits	Notes
BIO 111 Anatomy & Physiology I	4	BIO 200 Anatomy and Physiology I (must have been taken within last ten years)	4	Required Support Course Also meets Gen Ed Requirement: Scientific Reasoning-Lab	MAT	147	Statistics	3	If not chosen as elective at QCC*
					SMS	201	Perceptual Motor Learning	3	
					SMS	300	Kinesiology	3	
					BIO	400	Neuroanatomy	4	
					OCT	300	Interprofessional Practice in the Context of Diversity and Social Justice	3	Also meets Gen Ed Requirement: Diversity, Power Dynamics and Social Justice
ENG 101 Composition I	3	ENL 105 Introduction to College Writing	3	Gen Ed Requirement: Personal Growth & Responsibility					
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 101 General Psychology	3	Required Support Course Also meets Gen Ed Requirement: Contemporary Society					
Liberal Arts Elective	3	Recommend choosing a course to meet SSU Gen Ed: Statistics, History, Speech, etc.	3	Required Support Course or General Education Requirement					
BIO 112 Anatomy & Physiology II	4	BIO 201 Anatomy and Physiology II (must have been taken	4	Required Support Course Also meets Gen Ed Requirement: Scientific Reasoning-Lab	Gen Ed Requirements				
					OC		Oral Communication	3	*
					CEA		Creative Expression & Appreciation	3	*
					WC		World Cultures	3	*
					HP		The Human Past	3	*
					Major Courses				
					OCT	398	Information and Digital Literacy for Promoting OT	4	
					OCT	400N	Pathways for Occupational Therapy Practice	2	
					OCT	402	Clinical Reasoning & Professional Judgement	3	
					OCT	404	Perceptual and Cognitive Disabilities	3	
					OCT	407N	OT Analysis and Intervention I	4	
					OCT	408	Research, Writing & Learning I	3	Also meets Gen Ed Requirement: Written Communication - Level II

		within last ten years)			OCT		Theoretical Principles of Occupation I	2	Also meets Gen Ed Requirement: Written Communication - Level III
PSY 121 Survey of Life Span Development	3	PSY218 Childhood and Adolescence	3	Required Support Course		411			
ENG 102 Composition II	3	ENL 110 Foundations of Writing	3	Gen Ed Requirement: Written Communication – Level I	OCT	412	Theoretical Principles of Occupation II	2	
<b>OTA 101</b> Introduction to Occupational Therapy: Concepts & Interventions	3	OCT T21 Advanced Placement Credits 21 CREDITS	21	Required Advanced Placement Credits	OCT	413	OT Analysis & Interventions II	4	
<b>OTA 131</b> Occupational Therapy: Methods and Modalities I	3	PSY321 Group Dynamics	3	Free Elective (In place of First Year Seminar Gen Ed Requirement exemption)	OCT	414	Conditions and Healthcare Environments	4	
<b>OTA 103</b> Group Process and Interventions	4	PSY215 Abnormal Psychology	3	Required Support Course	OCT	340	Level I Fieldwork	1	
<b>OTA 105</b> Developing Professional Behaviors	3	SSUT61 Free Elective	3	Free Elective	OCT	440	OT Practice Skills	1	
<b>OTA 223</b> Concepts and Occupational Therapy Interventions with the Physically Challenged	4	SSUT62 Free Elective	3	Free Elective			Total of credits listed above:	64	
<b>OTA 211</b> Occupational Therapy with the Older Adult	3	SSUT63 Free Elective	3	Free Elective			With transferred elective taken into account	61	
							Remaining additional credits to meet 120 credit minimum to graduate:	0	
							<b>MINIMUM TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED TO GRADUATE:</b>	<b>120</b>	

<b>OTA 215</b> Developmental Problems and Practice with Children	4	SSUT64 Free Elective  SSUT65 Free Elective  SSUT66 Free Elective	3	Free Elective
<b>OTA 221</b> Concepts and Occupational Therapy Interventions in Mental Health	4		3	Free Elective / Excess credit
<b>OTA 231</b> Occupational Therapy: Methods and Modalities II	3			
<b>OTA 241</b> Occupational Therapy Field Placement I	7			
<b>OTA 242</b> Occupational Therapy Field Placement II	7			
Total OTA specific credits:	45			
TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS	68	TOTAL TRANSFERABLE CREDITS	68	
TOTAL		TOTAL TRANSFERABLE <b>APPLICABLE</b> CREDITS	64	