

WHY CHOOSE THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT PROGRAM?

- ACOTE-accredited OTA education.
- Hybrid learning with required on-campus lab immersion.
- Hands-on clinical simulation and competency development.
- Fully in-person fieldwork experiences.
- Support for rural, working, and nontraditional students.
- NBCOT preparation and workforce readiness.
- Small cohort sizes and faculty guidance.



WHAT OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS DO

Occupational therapy assistants work under the supervision of occupational therapists to help individuals participate in meaningful daily activities at home, school, work, and in the community. OTAs implement interventions, support independence, document client progress, and contribute to client-centered care.

HYBRID WITH REQUIRED LAB IMMERSION

The OTA program uses a hybrid delivery model with required on-campus lab immersion. Students complete structured learning while also attending required in-person laboratory experiences for simulation, psychomotor skill development, clinical reasoning, safety, and competency validation. Fieldwork experiences remain fully in-person.



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Hybrid Learning + Required On-Campus Lab Immersion

Prepare for a meaningful healthcare career helping people participate in the daily activities that matter most.

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RECOMMENDED PRE-ADMISSION COURSE MAP BEFORE ENTERING PROGRAM

Area	Recommended Course	Credits
English	ENGL 1110 Composition I or approved English option	3
Math	MATH 1130 or approved math option	3
Social/Behavioral	PSYC 1110 or approved social/behavioral option	3
Communication	COMM 1130 or approved communication option	3
Science	BIOL 2210 Human A&P I + Lab	4

ADMISSIONS PATHWAY

1. Apply to ENMU-Roswell and open your student record for Spring admission.
2. Send all official high school, GED/HiSET, and college transcripts.
3. Meet with advising and review the current OTA application checklist.
4. Complete recommended pre-admission coursework with required grades/GPA.
5. Complete TEAS for Allied Health and submit OTA application materials.
6. Attend the OTA program interview if invited.
7. Students may begin recommended pre-admission coursework in Summer or Fall 2026 to prepare for application to the Spring 2027 OTA core cohort. Application materials must be submitted by the published OTA Program deadline.

CAREER SNAPSHOT

- Occupational therapy assistant employment is projected to grow 19% from 2024 to 2034. The national median annual wage for occupational therapy assistants was \$68,340 in May 2024. Wages and job availability vary by region, employer, experience, and setting.
- OTAs may work in hospitals, schools, pediatrics, rehabilitation, skilled nursing, home health, behavioral health, outpatient therapy, and community-based practice.



CERTIFICATION & ACCREDITATION

The Occupational Therapy Assistant Program at Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE®) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 7501 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 510E, Bethesda, MD 20814. (301) 652-AOTA (2682), www.acoteonline.org.

Graduates of the program are 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 may become a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA), and may apply for state licensure where required. A felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure.

