

ACOTE® Spring 2008 Accreditation Actions

The AOTA Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE®) met on April 10-13, 2008 in Long Beach, California. Among the 73 program actions taken by ACOTE were accreditation actions to:

- grant initial accreditation to 1 new educational program that had a recent accreditation visit;
- grant continuing accreditation to 9 educational programs that had recent re-accreditation visits;
- change the status of 1 program from Probationary Accreditation to Accreditation;
- approve 8 applications for accreditation of additional locations;
- grant a request to include a new college in an accredited consortium;
- grant a Letter of Review to 1 new developing program (step 2 of the initial accreditation process); and
- grant Developing Program Status to 1 new applicant program (step 1 of the initial accreditation process).

Initial accreditation granted subsequent to an accreditation visit:

- **Newman University** (OTA associate degree)
Wichita, Kansas

Continuing accreditation granted subsequent to a re-accreditation visit:

- **Eastern Washington University** (OT professional entry-level master's and combined baccalaureate/master's)
Spokane, Washington
- **Holmes Community College, Ridgeland Campus** (OTA associate degree)
Ridgeland, Mississippi
- **Philadelphia University** (OT professional entry-level master's)
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- **Saint Francis University** (OT professional entry-level master's and combined baccalaureate/master's)
Loretto, Pennsylvania
- **Saint Louis University** (OT professional entry-level master's and combined baccalaureate/master's)
St. Louis, Missouri
- **Salem State College** (OT combined baccalaureate/master's)
Salem, Massachusetts
- **Samuel Merritt College** (OT professional entry-level master's)
Oakland, California
- **University of Utah** (OT professional entry-level master's)
Salt Lake City, Utah
- **University of Wisconsin-Madison** (OT professional entry-level master's)
Madison, Wisconsin

Program status changed from Probationary Accreditation to Accreditation:

- **Jefferson Community and Technical College** (OTA associate degree)
Louisville, Kentucky

Approved Applications for Accreditation of Additional Locations:

(The proposed program locations may now admit their first class of students according to the approved timeline. An initial on-site evaluation will be conducted before an accreditation decision is made.)

- **Brown Mackie College (OTA)**
Atlanta, Georgia; Hopkinsville, Kentucky; Indianapolis, Indiana; Fort Mitchell, Kentucky; Merrillville, Indiana; and Tucson, Arizona
- **Creighton University at the University of Alaska Anchorage (OTD)**
Anchorage, Alaska
- **Southwest Virginia Community College at Virginia Highlands Community College (OTA)**
Abingdon, Virginia

Granted request to include new college in accredited consortium:

- **Southern Illinois Collegiate Common Market (OTA associate degree)**
Herrin, Illinois
(Addition of consortium member - Kaskaskia Community College, Centralia, Illinois)

Developing program granted a Letter of Review – Step 2 of the Initial Accreditation Process:

(The proposed program would appear to meet the Standards if fully implemented in accordance with the plans of the sponsoring institution. An initial on-site evaluation will be conducted before an accreditation decision is made.)

- **Itawamba Community College (OTA associate degree)**
Fulton, Mississippi

Grant Developing Program Status – Step 1 of the Initial Accreditation Process:

(The proposed program may now admit its first class of students according to the approved timeline and proceed to step 2 of the initial accreditation process (the initial review), which will be followed by step 3 (the initial on-site evaluation). Developing Program Status indicates that the program meets the requirements for Developing Program Status and the plans and resource allocations for the proposed program, if fully implemented, appear to demonstrate the ability to comply with the ACOTE Accreditation Standards for an Educational Program for the Occupational Therapy Assistant.)

- **Murray State College (OTA associate degree)**
Tishomingo, Oklahoma

As of April 30, 2008, the number of programs in the accreditation process totaled 287.

Total Programs	OT Doctoral (6)	OT Master's (143)	OTA (138)
Accredited Programs	5	142	129
Programs With Developing Program Status	0	0	2
Applicant Programs	1	1	7

Additional information regarding occupational therapy accreditation may be obtained from the ACOTE Accreditation section of the AOTA Web page (www.acoteonline.org) or from AOTA accreditation staff at (301) 652-6611 x2914 or accred@aota.org.