ACOTE® December 2012 Accreditation Actions

The AOTA Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE®) met on November 30-December 2, 2012, and took the following accreditation actions:

Final ACOTE decisions subsequent to an initial on-site evaluation:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION	TERM	NEXT ON-SITE
Brown Mackie College-Kansas City (OTA), Lenexa, Kansas (Accredited additional location transitioning to independent program)	Accreditation	5	2017/2018
Concorde Career College-Memphis (OTA), Memphis, Tennessee	Accreditation	5	2017/2018
Neosho County Community College, Ottawa Campus (OTA), Ottawa, Kansas	Accreditation	5	2017/2018

Accreditation Granted following an initial on-site evaluation: The accreditation review process confirms that the program is in substantial compliance with the ACOTE Accreditation Standards for a Doctoral-Degree-Level Educational Program for the Occupational Therapist, a Master's-Degree-Level Educational Program for the Occupational Therapist, or an Educational Program for the Occupational Therapy Assistant. A program in ***substantial compliance*** *with the Standards may be in noncompliance in one or more specific Standards that are believed to be readily correctable. At the time of ACOTE action, ACOTE awards an accreditation period based on the following criteria:*

- *5-year review cycles are the standard number of years for initial accreditation; and*
- *7-year review cycles aregranted to those programs that have no areas of noncompliance and have demonstrated exceptional educational quality.*

Final ACOTE decisions subsequent to a re-accreditation on-site evaluation:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION	TERM	NEXT ON-SITE
Alvernia University (OTM), Reading, Pennsylvania	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
Bristol Community College (OTA), New Bedford, Massachusetts (*to coincide with the next regularly scheduled on-site evaluation)	Accreditation	5*	2017/2018
Eastern Kentucky University (OTM), Richmond, Kentucky	Accreditation	10	2022/2023
University of Findlay (OTM), Findlay, Ohio	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
University of Hawaii/Kapiolani Community College (OTA), Honolulu, Hawaii	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
University of Mary (OTM), Bismarck, North Dakota	Accreditation	10	2022/2023
Metropolitan Community College-Penn Valley (OTA), Kansas City, Missouri	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
South Suburban College of Cook County (OTA), South Holland, Illinois	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
University of Southern Indiana (OTM), Evansville, Indiana	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
Stark State College (OTA), North Canton, Ohio	Accreditation	5	2017/2018

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- *5-year review cycles are given to programs that are reaccredited, but raise significant concerns as determined by ACOTE;*
- *7-year review cycles are the standard number of years for reaccreditation; and*
- *10-year review cycles are granted to those programs that have no areas of noncompliance and have demonstrated exceptional educational quality.*

Final ACOTE decision subsequent to a review of a Significant Program Change:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
Anamarc College (OTA), El Paso, Texas	Approval of a Part-time Format
Roane State Community College (OTA), Oak Ridge, Tennessee	Approval to offer the program through the Regional Allied Health Science Consortium: (Chattanooga State Community College, Chattanooga, TN and Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, TN)

Final ACOTE decision subsequent to a review of an Application for Developing Status for an Additional Location:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
University of Mary-Billings Campus (OTM), Billings, Montana (Developing additional location of University of Mary, Bismarck, North Dakota)	Developing Status Granted
Navarro College- Midlothian Campus (OTA), Midlothian, Texas (Developing additional location of Navarro College, Corsicana, Texas)	Developing Status Granted

Developing Status Granted: The proposed program may now admit its first class of students at the additional location according to the approved timeline and proceed with the initial on-site evaluation. Developing Status indicates that the program meets the requirements for Developing 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.

Final ACOTE decisions subsequent to a review of an initial Report of Self-Study (Step 2 of the Initial Accreditation Process):

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
Jefferson College- Hillsboro (OTA), Hillsboro, Missouri	Letter of Review Granted
Keiser University, Fort Myers (OTA), Fort Myers, Florida	Letter of Review Granted
McHenry County College (OTA), Crystal Lake, Illinois	Letter of Review Granted
Spokane Falls Community College (OTA), Spokane, Washington	Letter of Review Granted
Weatherford College (OTA), Mineral Wells, Texas	Letter of Review Denied

Letter of Review Granted: 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.)

Letter of Review Denied: The proposed program does not meet one or more of the Standards and there does not appear to be evidence of the ability to comply within the immediate future. No further action will be taken unless the program sends notification of the intent to proceed with the accreditation process. The institution retains the option of proceeding with the initial on-site evaluation.

Final ACOTE decision subsequent to a review of a Candidacy Application (Step 1 of the Initial Accreditation Process):

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
Indiana State University (OTM), Terre Haute, Indiana	Candidacy Status Granted
Laurel Business Institute (OTA), Uniontown, Pennsylvania	Candidacy Status Deferred
Missouri College (OTA), Brentwood, Missouri	Candidacy Status Deferred
Princeton Information Technology Center (OTA), Glenside, Pennsylvania	Candidacy Status Deferred
San Juan College (OTA), Farmington, New Mexico	Candidacy Status Granted
Stevens-Henager College, Ogden Campus (OTA), Layton, Utah	Candidacy Status Deferred
West Coast University (OTM), Irvine, California	Candidacy Status Granted

Candidacy Status Granted: 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). Candidacy Status indicates that the program meets the requirements for Candidacy Status and the plans and resource allocations for the proposed program, if fully implemented, appear to demonstrate the ability to comply with the 2011 ACOTE Accreditation Standards.

Candidacy Status Deferred: Information received from the program is incomplete and/or insufficient for evaluation. Supplementary information is requested for consideration at a subsequent ACOTE meeting.

As of December 12, 2012, the number of programs in the accreditation process totaled 385.

Program Status	OT Doctoral	OT Master's	OTA	TOTAL
Accredited Programs	4	145	162	311
Candidate Programs	5	5	29	39
Applicant Programs	6	10	19	35
TOTAL	15	160	210	385

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.