

ACOTE® February 2017 Accreditation Actions

The AOTA Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE®) met in February 2017 and took the following accreditation actions:

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

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
Lenoir-Rhyne University (OTM), Hickory, NC	Approval of a distance education cohort at Lenoir-Rhyne University-Columbia Campus in Columbia, South Carolina beginning summer 2017.
St. Catherine University-Minneapolis (OTA), Minneapolis, MN	Approval of additional distance education cohorts: 1 additional cohort in Virginia to begin summer 2017; 1 additional cohort in California to begin summer 2017; and 1 new cohort in Texas to begin fall 2017.

Final ACOTE decision subsequent to a request from the program to be placed on inactive status:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
Brown Mackie College-Akron (OTA), Akron, OH	Accreditation-Inactive

Inactive Status: Inactive status is a special status applied only to programs that are **not currently enrolling new students** and do not plan to enroll new students in the future. The status “inactive” does not replace any other current accreditation status. The designation follows the regular accreditation status (e.g., Accreditation—Inactive or Probationary Accreditation—Inactive). Students graduating from a program with Accreditation—Inactive or Probationary Accreditation—Inactive status are considered graduates of an accredited program.

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
Bryant & Stratton College-Eastlake Campus (OTA), Eastlake, OH	Preaccreditation Status Granted

Preaccreditation Status 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.

As of February 13, 2017, the number of program locations in the accreditation process totaled 518.

Program Status	OT Doctoral	OT Master’s	OTA	TOTAL
Accredited Programs				
NOTE: Transitioning Programs not included in count: 2 OTM programs accredited as OTD programs 7 OTD program candidates 7 OTD program applicants	15	158	224	397

Accredited Additional Locations	0	11	7	18
Candidate Programs	14	16	15	45
Candidate Additional Locations	0	0	1	1
Applicant Programs	16	13	28	57
Applicant Additional Locations	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	45	198	275	518

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.