

Program Goals (M.S.)

Graduates of the Wilmington College OT Program will be able to:

1. Use critical reasoning to recognize health care needs, especially those in rural contexts, and provide evidence-based occupational therapy services to a variety of populations employing a variety of service delivery models, in different health care settings, and within community-based systems.
2. Provide services within a client-centered, occupational-based theoretical foundation with consideration of the underlying factors including, but not limited to, the culture and contexts that influence the individual's ability to engage in meaningful occupational tasks and roles.
3. Clearly articulate, document, and apply professional principles and ethics, in the advocacy of the client's and family's needs, as well as the needs of the OT profession.
4. Provide direct and indirect services to promote and sustain health, facilitate typical growth and development, prevent deficits, and maintain, restore, or enhance function through compensation, adaptation, and participation in appropriate therapeutic methods, environmental modifications, use of adaptive equipment, and assistive technologies to enhance meaningful occupational engagement.
5. Demonstrate the ability to manage and evaluate the efficacy of occupational therapy services including client care outcomes, departmental operations, documentation and reimbursement, and the supervision of appropriate personnel, including fieldwork students, within the guidelines of professional practice.
6. Initiate and participate in collaborative and cooperative interactions with intra-disciplinary and interdisciplinary professionals, clients, significant others, and caregivers to achieve the desired occupational therapy outcomes.