

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Medical Specialties

Course Abbreviation and Number: OTA 1520

Credit Hours: 3

Course Type: Lecture/Lab

Course Description: Students will understand the effects heritable diseases, genetic conditions, disability, trauma, and injury to physical and mental health have on an individual. Students will explore the effects disabling conditions have on the occupational performance of a person. Students will learn about normal development throughout the life-span, medical terminology, signs & symptoms, course & prognosis, and common medical treatments related to disease/disability.

Prerequisite: acceptance into OTA program.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Identify signs and symptoms of common conditions through the lifespan and their impact on occupational performance,
 2. Decipher and define medical terminology and abbreviations related to the profession of OT.
 3. Integrate ideas from different theories or fields of study to explain a multifaceted problem or issue, using evidence-based research.
 4. Weigh diverse perspectives in the face of opposing viewpoints and understand the source of their own assumptions and biases.
 5. Recognize the importance of ethical behavior in fostering a community of mutual respect and integrity.
 6. Become acclimated to the culture of higher education at JCC by learning about and utilizing library resources to assess peer-reviewed research.
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Topics Covered:

- Introduction/overview of course
 - Developmental theorists
 - Normal development through the lifespan
 - Medical & Uniform terminology
 - Introduction to common developmental disorders
 - Introduction to common physical disorders
 - Introduction to common mental health disorders
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Information for Students

- Expectations of Students
 - [Civility Statement](#)
 - [Student Responsibility Statement](#)
 - [Academic Integrity Statement](#)
 - [Accessibility Services](#)
Students who require accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability must make their accommodation requests to the Accessibility Services Coordinator.
 - [Get Help: JCC & Community Resources](#)
 - [Emergency Closing Procedures](#)
 - Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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 - Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.
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Effective Date: Fall 2021