

OCC1 617 OCCUPATIONAL SOLUTIONS 2

Credits: 6

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Expanded Course Description: Occupation-based approaches, assessment and treatment of clients with disorders of the nervous system across the life span. The course will be guided by the International Classification of Function, Disability and Health (ICF), in which the concepts of ‘participation’ and the ‘environment’ will be discussed in the context of the client’s health condition and personal factors.

Course Structure: Several formats will be used including formal lectures involving guest lecturers, laboratory/practical sessions and tutorial/self-directed learning modules. Site visits will also be included.

Learning Outcomes: The student will be able to:

1. seek information pertinent to OT practice on different neurological conditions across the life span;
2. utilize a self-directed approach to apply and integrate new knowledge to clinical techniques and skills learned in class;
3. seek, appraise and apply evidence in the literature to clinical cases, assessments or interventions in neurorehabilitation;

4. recognize unique roles and arenas of occupational therapy practice for pediatric, adult and geriatric clients with neurological conditions in accordance with provincial /national regulatory standards;
5. select psychometrically sound assessment tools that are appropriate with respect to: construct of interest, age of the client and environmental context;
6. administer and analyze the results of selected assessments;
7. formulate a problem list from assessment results and develop treatment objectives (short term and long term goals) based on the problem list and client strengths and resources available;
8. understand and apply the different models/approaches of OT practice in neurorehabilitation and differentiate their use in the clinical setting;
9. develop treatment strategies based on assessment results, treatment goals and treatment approaches to promote competence in occupational performance domains across the lifespan;
10. progress and terminate interventions;
11. apply principles of program evaluation, clinical audit and outcome management to evaluate the effectiveness of services;
12. utilize a client/family-centered approach in the care of clients with neurological conditions of all ages;
13. promote health and well-being of all individuals (clients and communities);
14. understand and apply interdisciplinary models of service delivery;
15. demonstrate effective decision making using a problem-solving approach;
16. promote the coordination of services across settings (e.g. acute care to home, work/ school) and assist in the successful integration of clients into the community;

17. identify gaps in knowledge of occupational therapy practice and develop research questions.

Lecture Schedule: Lectures and practical sessions will focus on the integration of content learned in Occupational Solutions I to clinical cases across ages and settings, with a gradual increase in the complexity of the cases presented over the term. Two 3-hour sessions will take place per week. These will include formal lectures, practical sessions and clinical visits. Additional supervised activities will take place intermittently throughout the semester during open block. An interprofessional education (IPE) workshop on the topic of Alzheimers will take place during the term. Attending this workshop is mandatory.

Course Materials:

Required Texts:

1. J. Case-Smith et al, 6th ed. (2010). Occupational Therapy For Children.
2. M. Vining Radomski & C. A. Trombly Latham, 6th ed. (2008). Occupational Therapy For Physical Dysfunction.

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Student Assignment and Evaluation

Assignments	45%
Midterm paper	20%
Final Exam	35%

Special Requirements for Course Completion and Program Continuation: In order to pass the course, a grade of at least B- (65%) must be obtained as a total course mark. This course falls under the regulations concerning theoretical and practical evaluation as well as individual and

group evaluation. Please refer to the section on marks in the Rules and Regulations for Student Evaluation and Promotion of the Occupational Therapy Course Guides.

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Right to submit in English or French written work that is to be graded: In accord with McGill University's Charter of Students' Rights, students in this course have the right to submit in English or in French any written work that is to be graded.

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Attendance: Students are expected to attend all lectures on time and actively participate in class discussions. It is the responsibility of each student to attend classes prepared and be actively involved. Although attendance will not be taken, with the exception of the IPE workshop, site visits/labs and group discussion sessions/presentations that are mandatory, the materials covered in class will be subject to evaluation. We invite faculty and guest speakers who are experts in their fields as well as family members who can share lived experiences. Your presence in class reflects your appreciation for these guests as well as your desire for learning.

Consequences of not completing assignments as requested: Assignments not completed on time will be penalized accordingly. In the event

that an assignment cannot be submitted on its due date, students are encouraged to inform the instructor as soon as possible

Dress Code: Professionalism with respect to dressing is encouraged throughout the course of the semester. The assignments that require a group presentation or lab work will be evaluated on presentation and professionalism both with respect to style and dress code. It is each student's responsibility to have appropriate attire during all class assignments and learning activities.

Disability: If you have a disability please contact the instructor to arrange a time to discuss your situation. It would be helpful if you contact the Office for Students with Disabilities at 514-398-6009 before you do this.

Technology in Class: Your respectful attentive presence is expected, therefore while you are permitted to use your laptop in class, it is understood that you will not be using your laptop or cell-phone for social purposes during class time (e.g. email, msn, sms). Your cell phone should be on silence during class time and phone calls should only take place during the break or after class.

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