

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Fall 2021

Priority Application Deadline: January 15, 2021

Checklist Item	Important Information
STEP 1: Mandatory Information Session Attendance	Applicants must attend a Mandatory Information Session prior to submission of your application. Applicants must attend a session during the academic year prior to admission (Sept. 2020 - March 2021). Upcoming dates are available by visiting: http://www.northshore.edu/academics/programs/ota/mandatory-info-sessions.html Attendance will be recorded.
STEP 2: ATI TEAS Exam (As of 2016)	The ATI TEAS exam is preferred to be taken at NSCC. Students whose score reports reflect that they have tested more than two times or at another location other than NSCC must also submit an official TEAS transcript from ATI: https://atitesting.com/ati_store/ Additional charges may apply. Must be ATI TEAS as of 2016. Applicants are limited to two attempts within a year (September 1 - August 31), regardless of the testing site and program to which they are applying. Each of the following sections are required to be taken: Reading; Math; Science; and English - and all scores will be included in the review process. A minimum score of 69% in Reading must be achieved in order to apply.
STEP 3: NSCC Online Application for Admission	Submit the online application for the year for which you are applying; regardless of whether you are a new or current student (a previously submitted application does not count). Once you submit your application, the remaining required documents (below) may be uploaded to your account.
Biology Requirement	Complete ONE of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BIO211 with a grade of C or higher • BIO101 or BIO105 with a grade of C or higher (no time limit) • TEAS <u>version V or VI</u> - Science section score of 50% or higher (no time limit) • LPN Certificate (no time limit) • Bachelor of Science in Biological Science (no time limit) • One of the following within the past 5 <u>calendar</u> years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ High School Biology with a C or higher ○ CLEP test with a score of 50 or higher ○ AP Biology Test with a 3 or higher
Essay	A word-processed essay must be uploaded for the year in which you are applying. (Essay must be typed. Grammar and spelling are considered in addition to content and quality of your essay.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Please state why you would like to pursue an Occupational Therapy Assistant career and what qualities make you a good candidate for our program.</i>

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Communications Proficiency	<p>There are many ways to demonstrate this. (See link below.) If you have demonstrated proficiency with your SAT scores or Accuplacer testing from another institution, please upload that document to your application. If you have demonstrated proficiency with your high school GPA or with college level courses, this will be updated upon review of your submitted materials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.northshore.edu/academics/proficiency/communications-proficiency.html
Math Proficiency	<p>There are many ways to demonstrate this. (See link below.) If you have demonstrated proficiency with your SAT scores or Accuplacer testing from another institution, please upload that document to your application. If you have demonstrated proficiency with your high school GPA or with college level courses, this will be updated upon review of your submitted materials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.northshore.edu/academics/proficiency/math-proficiency.html
High School Transcript or GED score report	<p>Upload a copy of your high school transcript or GED score report. If you previously submitted the transcript or score report and attended classes within the past 5 years, then Enrollment likely has it on file. You can confirm by emailing: SelectiveAdmissions@northshore.edu</p>
Official transcripts from all Colleges/Universities previously attended	<p>All official college transcripts from previously attended Colleges/Universities must be submitted directly to NSCC and uploaded by Admissions staff. If you have previously submitted transcripts and have since completed courses or are currently registered for courses, then you need to submit an updated transcript. Transcripts may be sent electronically from your college(s) to NSCC at: SelectiveAdmissions@northshore.edu or mailed to: North Shore Community College, Attn: Admissions/Health Programs, 1 Ferncroft Rd., Danvers, MA 01923</p> <p>Transfer students from another accredited Occupational Therapy Program must also provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an official transcript proving enrollment in Occupational Therapy courses within the last 3 years. • course syllabi from all previous Occupational Therapy courses. Additional documents can be emailed to: SelectiveAdmissions@northshore.edu <p>NOTE: an informational meeting may be required by the Department Chairperson</p>

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Resume	Submit a resume highlighting your academic, extracurricular and work history along with any health and/or human service related experience.
Course Requirement Information (Accelerated Option of Study ONLY)	<p>To be considered for the Accelerated Option of Study, you will need to provide details in your application on the successful completion (final grade of C or higher) of ALL of the following college level courses (no time limits); OR provide information on how these courses will be completed by the end of the summer session at NSCC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anatomy and Physiology 1 • Anatomy and Physiology 2 • Composition 1* • Composition 2 Elective* • Introduction to General Psychology* • Human Growth and Development* (Must cover life span from birth to death) <p>* Indicates courses you may get credit for by passing certain examinations. For further information please visit: http://www.northshore.edu/cas/</p>