

Fieldwork Grading

Fieldwork I

All required tasks must be completed by the timelines indicated on the student schedule and Blackboard course. All written and oral expectations must reflect critical analysis and professionalism. Following the rubrics attached to each task is necessary for success in the course.

Fieldwork educators complete the AOTA Level I Fieldwork Competency Evaluation for OTA students at both midterm and the end of Fieldwork I. This evaluation assesses student's performance in five key areas: fundamentals of practice, foundations of occupational therapy, professional behavior, screening and evaluation, and intervention. These skill areas are essential for successful practice as an occupational therapy practitioner. If you receive three or more scores of below standard (B) or unacceptable (U), an improvement plan will be developed.

Students will earn a Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) grade for this course based on assessed performance. All assignments are graded, and points are awarded. Students must obtain a 79.5% average in the class to earn a Satisfactory (S). Failure to meet the expected average at midterm will result in an improvement plan.

If you receive an Unsatisfactory (U) in the course, you will not pass Fieldwork I, therefore resulting in dismissal from the OTA program.

Fieldwork IIA and Fieldwork IIB

The fieldwork educators for each of your Fieldwork II rotations complete an **AOTA Fieldwork Performance Evaluation for the Occupational Therapy Assistant Student**. The fieldwork educators grade your performance in 6 areas (fundamentals of practice, basic tenets, screening and evaluation, intervention, management of occupational therapy services, and communication and professional behaviors). At final evaluation, you must score 91 points or higher and ratings for the Ethics and Safety items must be scored at 3 or above for you to pass the fieldwork experience. You will receive a Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) for each rotation.

Upon completion of each Fieldwork II rotation, you must have a complete **AOTA Fieldwork Performance Evaluation for the Occupational Therapy Assistant Student, Student Evaluation of the Fieldwork Experience, and Student Evaluation of the Fieldwork Educator**. All required documentation must be submitted by the timelines provided by the Northwood Tech Academic Fieldwork Coordinator. All documentation must be thorough with required signatures and reflections for successful completion of Fieldwork IIA and Fieldwork IIB.