NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT STUDENT HANDBOOK

FAILURE/COURSE REPEAT POLICY

Occupational Therapy Assistant students or pre-Occupational Therapy Assistant students may repeat a core (OTA) or occupational support course (science) only **once.** In addition, students enrolled in the OTA program may repeat only **two** core (OTA) or occupational supportive (science) courses in their program during their progress toward graduation.

This policy reflects concerns for appropriate OTA program standards from the Faculty and Advisory Committee. This standard also enhances the position of our graduates if attempting to transfer to another OTA program or pursue a master's degree in OT.

If you are a student who has experienced a failure in an OTA or science course, you may have questions as to how this affects you. If you are planning to repeat a course that you previously failed, you must pass the course the second time. If you do not pass the course the second time, you will be dismissed from the occupational therapy assistant program at Northwood Tech. This policy also applies to coursework taken at other colleges.

If you have a previous failure in an OTA or science course but have successfully passed that course the second time and fail another course, you may repeat that course once. If you fail that course the second time <u>or</u> if you fail a third course, you will be dismissed from the program.

Failure of OTA core courses, 10514184 (OTA Fieldwork I), 10514186 (OTA Fieldwork IIA), or 10514187 (OTA Fieldwork IIB), result in automatic dismissal from the OTA program.

OTA Faculty members are sincerely interested in your success in the program, but recognize that OTA is not for every student. You may want to discuss this policy further the OTA Program Director.

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