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**LETTER OF INTENT DATA FORM  
(To be submitted with a Letter of Intent to seek initial accreditation)**

**1. University or College housing OT/OTA Program**

Address (of OT/OTA program location)

City, State, & Zip

Telephone for General Program Inquiries

Web Page

E-Mail for General Program Inquiries:

**2. Type of Institution**

Senior College or University

Medical School

Junior or Community College

Technical College

Vocational School or Institution

Military Institution

**3. Nature of Institution**

a Public

b Private, not-for-profit

c Private, for-profit

**4. New program level to be offered:**

1 OTA Associate Degree

2 OTA Baccalaureate Degree

The OTA-B program is a new program or in addition to an existing OTA program

The OTA-B program will be replacing the existing OTA program

Please indicate the month and year the last class of students will graduate from the OTA program:

3 OT Entry-Level Master’s Degree

4 OT Entry-Level Doctoral Degree

The OTD program is a new program or in addition to an existing OTM program

The OTD program will be replacing the existing OTM program

Please indicate the month and year the last class of students will graduate from the OTM program:

**5. Program Term:**

Semester

Trimester

Quarter

Other:

**6. Institutional Accreditation**

**a. Regional (OT or OTA programs)**

Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC)

Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)

New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU)

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges (SACS)

Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (WASC/ACCJC)

Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities (WASC/ACSCU)

**b. National (OTA programs)**

Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES)

Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC)

Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training (ACCET)

Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS)

Council on Occupational Education (COE)

Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC)

**7. Is the sponsoring institution legally authorized under applicable state law to provide a program of postsecondary education and have appropriate degree-granting authority?**

Yes

No

If no, please explain:

**8. Please indicate the projected month and year for the following:**

Submit the Candidacy Application\* Month:       Year:

First class to begin the OT/OTA program: Month:       Year:

First class to begin Level II Fieldwork: Month:       Year:

(OTD) First class to begin the doctoral capstone experience: Month:       Year:

First class to graduate: Month:       Year:

**\*New programs (not transitioning) should refer to “**[**Remaining Slots for New Program Applications**](http://www.aota.org/Education-Careers/Accreditation/Policies/Remaining-slots.aspx)**” for available slots.**

**9. Chief Executive Officer of Sponsoring Institution**

Prefix (e.g., Dr., Ms., Mr.):       Name:

Credentials (e.g., PhD, EdD):

Administrative Title:

College/University:

Address:

City, State, & Zip:

Telephone:

E-mail Address:

**10. Dean or administrator to whom the program director reports**

Prefix (e.g., Dr., Ms., Mr.):       Name:

Credentials (e.g., PhD, EdD):

Administrative Title:

College/University:

Address:

City, State, & Zip:

Telephone:

E-mail Address:

**11. Program Director**

**If the program director has been hired, please complete and attach the Program Director Data Form and program director’s Curriculum Vitae. The program will be provided with an initial accreditation timeline once the credentials are received and approved by Accreditation staff.**

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**PROGRAM DIRECTOR DATA FORM (NEW PROGRAMS)**

**Please complete and attach to the Letter of Intent Data Form or submit once the program director has been hired. This form must be completed and submitted to the Accreditation Department (**[**accred@aota.org**](mailto:accred@aota.org)**) at least 1 year prior to the assigned date of submission of the Candidacy Application.**

**Submit this completed form and the following to** [**accred@aota.org**](mailto:accred@aota.org)**:**

* **Program Director’s Curriculum Vitae**
* **Evidence of hiring (e.g., offer letter, employment contract)**

**Hiring Information:**

**Date Program Director is scheduled to start full time:**

**New OT/OTA Program Director:**

Prefix (e.g., Dr., Ms., Mr.):       Name:

Credentials (e.g., PhD, OTR, FAOTA):

Title:

Program/Department:

College/University:

Address:

City, State, & Zip:

Telephone:

E-mail Address:

Program Director’s AOTA ID #:

**New OT/OTA Program Director’s Qualifications:**

1. Experience in OT/OTA clinical practice:       years

Brief description:

2. Experience in administration (e.g., program planning and implementation,   
personnel management, evaluation, and budgeting):       years

Brief description:

3. Understanding of and experience with occupational therapy assistants   
(OTA programs) or understanding of the role of the occupational therapy   
assistant (OT programs):       years

Brief description:

4. Experience in postsecondary teaching (OTA/OTM programs) or   
postbaccalaureate teaching (OTD programs):       years

Brief description:

5. Experience in a full-time academic appointment with teaching   
responsibilities at the postsecondary level (OTA/OTM programs) or  
postbaccalaureate level (OTD programs):       years

Brief description:

6. Briefly describe your experience in scholarship (e.g., scholarship of teaching and learning -   
the systematic study of teaching and/or learning and the public sharing and review of such  
work through presentations, publications, and performances):

7. Highest Degree Earned:

Date:       College/University:

8. Year of initial national certification (by AOTA/AOTCB/NBCOT) as an OTR or COTA:

9. Current state licensure (indicate state and license/registration number):