

Occupational Therapy Assistant Program—Licensure Information

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The [SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant](#) program is accredited by the [Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education \(ACOTE\)](#). As a part of the SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program, students prepare to take the certification examination provided by the [National Board for the Certification of Occupational Therapy \(NBCOT\)](#). The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program has excellent graduation rates and exam pass rates. More effectiveness data for the SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program is available [here](#).

Individual states can have unique licensure requirements, independent of SLCC graduation requirements. It is highly recommended that students consult in advance with the [Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing \(DOPL\)](#), or similar agencies in other states, to find out more about eligibility for licensure. DOPL can be reached at 801-530-6628 or at their [website](#). Information about Occupational Therapy Assistant licensure requirements in Utah are available [here](#).

Licensure Fees—as of 3/27/2024. Fees can change at any time.

Occupational Therapist Assistant DOPL Licensure Fee	\$70
NBCOT Exam Fee	\$540

Please recognize that there may be additional requirements for licensure not outlined in this document. In addition to the requirements listed below, applicants may be asked to submit criminal background and fingerprinting checks, pay licensure fees or other certification fees, abide by codes of conduct, or meet additional requirements not outlined in this document.

If you have difficulty finding the licensure requirements for your state, please contact your academic advisor or SLCC's [state authorization staff](#) for help.

States and Territories Does the SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant Program meet degree requirements in this state?

This list was last updated 3/27/2024. Requirements for licensure can change at any time. Please [email](#) for more information.

Alabama

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Alabama.*

Board: [Alabama State Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 770 Washington Avenue, Suite 420, Montgomery, AL 36130. Phone: 334-353-4466.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [§34-39-8 Application for license; requirements](#)

Additional Information:

- Applicants must name a licensed occupational therapist supervisor on the licensure application.
- [License Application](#).
- Applicants are asked about possible criminal convictions.
- Applicants are to submit proof of US Citizenship or Legal Presence.

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Alaska

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Alaska.*

Board: [Alaska State Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy Board](#)

Contact: PO Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806. Phone: 907-465-2580. Email: PhysicalandOccupationalTherapy@Alaska.Gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Exam: A jurisprudence questionnaire is submitted with the licensure application.

Statutes: [Sec. 08.84.030. Qualifications for licensing.](#)

Additional Information:

- Applicants are asked about possible criminal background.
- [Applications and forms.](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions.](#)

Compact: Non-Compact State.

American Samoa

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements in American Samoa.*

Board: [Department of Human and Social Service.](#)

Contact:

Educational Requirement:

Certification Exam:

Statutes: [American Samoa Public Health Act.](#)

Additional Information:

- American Samoa does not appear to license Occupational Therapy Assistants at this time.

Arizona

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Arizona.*

Board: [Arizona Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners](#)

Contact: 1740 W Adams St, STE 3407, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Phone: 602-589-8352. Email: ot.info@otboard.az.gov.

Education requirement: Arizona requires licensure applicants: “successfully complete the academic requirements of an educational program” and “successfully complete a period of supervised fieldwork”.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board..

Statutes: [32-3423. Application for licensure; qualifications.](#)

[32-3424. Examination for licensure of occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants.](#)

Additional Information:

- Applicants who hold a license in another state AND who have established residency in Arizona, may qualify for licensure by universal license recognition. More information is available [here](#).
- Applicants are asked to read the Board’s Rules and Regulations and sign an attestation.
- Criminal background check is required.
- Applicants must submit proof of US Citizenship or legal presence.

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Arkansas

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Arkansas.*

Board: [Arkansas State Medical Board](#)

Contact: 1401 West Capitol Avenue, Suite 340, Little Rock, AR 72201-2936. Phone: 501-296-1802. Email: office@armedicalboard.org

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program. Applicant must have completed a “minimum of 2 months of supervised field work experience at an approved facility”.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [17-88-302. Qualifications of applicants.](#)

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.
- Applicants are asked to read the Arkansas Occupational Therapy Act and submit a Rules & Regulations Affidavit with their application packet.
- Applications must include proof of citizenship, naturalization, or work visa.
- Applicants must have a Verification of Occupational Therapy Education AND official transcript submitted directly to the Board.
- [Frequently Asked Questions.](#)
- [Licensure application information packet.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact.](#)

California

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in California.*

Board: [California Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 1610 Arden Way, Suite 121, Sacramento, CA 95815. Phone: 916-263-2294. Email: cbot@dca.ca.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [2570.6](#). Occupational Therapy

Additional Information:

- Criminal Background Check.
- Applicants must submit an official transcript from a qualifying degree program.
- [Application forms and information.](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions.](#)

Compact: Non-Compact state.

Colorado

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Colorado.*

Board: [Colorado Office of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 1560 Broadway, Suite 1350, Denver, CO 80202. Phone: 303-894-7800. Email: dora_occupationaltherapists@state.co.us.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program. In addition, “must have a minimum 16 weeks of supervised fieldwork or fieldwork that met generally recognized past accreditation standards in effect at the time you graduated.”

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: 1.13 - OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION. [12-270-108\(1\), C.R.S.](#)

Additional Information:

- Applicants must provide documentation that they are lawfully present in the United States and eligible to work here.
- Complete a criminal history screening and complete a Healthcare Professions Profile.
- [Applications and forms.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact.](#)

Connecticut

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Connecticut.*

Board: [Connecticut State Department of Public Health](#)

Contact: 410 Capitol Ave., MS #12 APP, PO Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308. Phone: 860-509-7603. Email: oplcdph@ct.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [Sec. 20-74a. Definitions.](#)

Additional Information:

- Full list of requirements and additional information can be found [here](#).

Compact: Non-Compact State.

Delaware

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Delaware.*

Board: [Board of Occupational Therapy Practice](#)

Contact: Cannon Building, Suite 203, 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, DE 19904. Phone: 302-744-4500. Email: customerservice.dpr@delaware.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [2.0 - Licensure Procedures.](#)

Additional Information:

- Criminal history record check is required.
- Full list of requirements and additional information can be found [here](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

District of Columbia

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in the District of Columbia.*

Board: [DC Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 899 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002. Phone: 202-442-5955. Email: doh@dc.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [Healthcare Provider Regulations.](#)

Additional Information:

- [Applications and information.](#)
- Applications must submit a clear copy of a government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's license.
- Criminal background check is required.
- [Application checklist.](#)

Compact: Pending.

Florida

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Florida.*

Board: [Florida Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 4052, Bald Cypress Way Bin C-05, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3255. Phone: 850-245-4373.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [468.209 - Requirements for licensure.](#)
[468.211 - Examination for licensure.](#)

Additional Information:

- Application and additional information can be found [here](#).
- Applicants are asked about potential criminal history.

Compact: Non-Compact State.

Georgia

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Georgia.*

Board: [Georgia State Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA 31217-3858. Phone: 404-424-9966. Email: PLB-Healthcare2@sos.ga.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes:

Additional Information:

- Criminal Background Check.

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Guam

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Guam.*

Board: [Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners](#)

Contact: 194 Hernan Cortes Avenue, Terlaje Professional Building, Suite 213, Hagatna, Guam 96910. Phone: 671-735-7407. Email: rosemary.carman@dphss.guam.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: Guam Public Health [Regulations and Licensure](#).

Additional Information:

- [Requirements, application, and additional information](#).

Compact: Non-Compact Territory.

Hawaii

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Hawaii.*

Board: [Hawaii Occupational Therapy Program](#)

Contact: PO Box 3469, Honolulu, HI 96801. Phone: 808-586-2696. Email: occ_therapist@dcca.hawaii.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [\[§457G-2.6\] Qualifications of occupational therapy assistants](#).

Additional Information:

- [Applications and forms](#).
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#).
- Applicants are asked about possible criminal convictions.

Compact: Pending.

Idaho

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Idaho.*

Board: [Idaho State Occupational Therapy Licensure Board](#)

Contact: 11351 W., Chinden Building #6, Boise, ID 83714. Phone: 208-334-3233. Email: OCT@dopl.idaho.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [54-3706. REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE.](#)

Additional Information:

- [Applications and forms.](#)
- Applicants are asked questions about possible criminal convictions.
- Applicants are asked about US Citizenship or Lawful Presence.

Compact: Non-Compact State.

Illinois

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Illinois.*

Board: [IDFPR Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 320 West Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Springfield, IL 62786. Phone: 888-473-4858.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [Sec. 9. A person shall be qualified](#) for licensure as an occupational therapy assistant

Rules: [Title 68, Section 1315.110.](#)

[Section 1315.100 Approved Programs.](#)

Additional Information:

- Applicants must complete an approved program for occupational therapy assisting.
- Applicants are asked about possible criminal convictions.

Compact: Pending

Indiana

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Indiana.*

Board: [Indiana Occupational Therapy Committee](#)

Contact: 402 West Washington Street, W072, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Phone: 317-232- 2960.

Email: pla14@pla.in.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [IC 25-23.5-5-1 Application; contents.](#)

Rules: [844 IAC 10-1-3 "School or program of occupational therapy or program of occupational therapy assistants approved by the board" defined.](#)

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Iowa

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Iowa.*

Board: [Iowa Board of Physical & Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 321 East, 12 Street, 5th Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, IA 50319. Phone: 515-281-0254. Email: PLPublic@idph.iowa.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [148B.5 Requirements for licensure.](#)

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Kansas

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Kansas.*

Board: [Kansas Board of Healing Arts](#)

Contact: 800 SW Jackson, Lower Level – Suite A, Topeka, KS 66612. Phone: 785-296-7413. Email: KSBHA_Licensing@ks.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Exam:

Statutes: [65-5406. Application for licensure; requirements](#)
[65-5407. Examinations.](#)

Rules: [100-54-2. Education requirements.](#)

Additional Information:

- Applicants are asked about possible criminal convictions.
- Applicants are asked about US citizenship or legal presence.
- [Applications and forms.](#)

Compact: Non-Compact State.

Kentucky

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Kentucky.*

Board: [Kentucky Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: PO Box 1360, Frankfort, KY 40602. Phone: 502-564-3296. Email: OT@ky.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [319A.110 Application for license.](#)

Rules: [201 KAR 28:070. Examination.](#)

Additional Information:

- [Applications and forms.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Louisiana

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Louisiana.*

Board: [Louisiana Board of Medical Examiners](#)

Contact: 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, LA 70130. Phone: 504-568-6820. Email: licensing@lsbme.la.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [§3006. Requirements for licensure.](#)

Additional Information:

- [Applications and Information.](#)
- Criminal background check is required.
- Applicants are asked about US citizenship or legal presence.

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Maine

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Maine.*

Board: [Board of Occupational Therapy Practice](#)

Contact: 35 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0035. Phone: 207-624-8624. Email: occ.board@maine.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: §[2279. Qualifications](#).

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.
- [Application and additional information](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Maryland

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Maryland.*

Board: [Board of Occupational Therapy Practice](#)

Contact: 55 Wade Avenue, Tuerk Building, 2nd Floor, Baltimore, MD 21228. Phone: 410-402-8556. Email: mdotboard.user@maryland.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Questions: Applicants must answer jurisprudence questions related to Maryland laws and regulations in the licensure application.

Statutes: [10.46.01. General Regulations](#).

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.
- Application, instructions, and full list of requirements can be found [here](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Massachusetts

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Massachusetts.*

Board: [Massachusetts Board of Allied Health Professionals](#)

Contact: 1000 Washington Street, Suite 710, Boston, MA 02118. Phone: 617-701-8605. Email: alliedhealth@mass.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [259 CMR. 3.01: Definitions](#).

Additional Information:

- [Applications and instructions](#).

Compact: Pending.

Michigan

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Michigan.*

Board: [Michigan Board of Occupational Therapists](#)

Contact: 611 W. Ottawa, PO Box 30004, Lansing, MI 48909. Phone: 517-241-0199. Email: BPLHelp@michigan.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Exam: Applicants are required to complete a Michigan jurisprudence examination through [PSI](#) testing centers. A passing score is 75%.

Statutes: [333.18309 Licensure as occupational therapy assistant](#).

Rules: [R 338.1231 Educational program standards](#).

R 338.1234 Examinations; occupational therapy assistant; adoption and approval; passing scores.

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.

- Beginning October 19, 2022, applicants must complete a training for identifying victims of human trafficking. The continuing education class costs \$50 and takes 4 hours to complete. [More information](#).
- [Licensure Requirements Checklist](#).

Compact: Pending

Minnesota

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Minnesota.*

Board: [Minnesota Board of Occupational Therapy Practice](#)

Contact: 335 Randolph Avenue, Suite 240, St. Paul, MN 55102. Phone: 612-548-2179. Email: Occupational.therapy@state.mn.us.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [148.6410 QUALIFICATIONS FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS](#).

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.
- [Applications and additional information](#).

Compact: Pending

Mississippi

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Mississippi.*

Board: [Mississippi State Department of Health](#)

Contact: 143B Lefleur's Square, Jackson, MS 39211. Phone: 601-364-7360.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Rules: [Rule 8.4.1 Licensure Requirements](#): An applicant for a regular license as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant shall submit to the Department, verified by oath, written evidence in form and content satisfactory to the Department that the applicant: 1. 2. is of good moral character; has been awarded a degree from an education program recognized by the Board; 3. has successfully completed a supervised field experience; a. for an occupational therapist, as reflected in the current accrediting standards; b. for an occupational therapy assistant, as reflected in the current accrediting standards; 4. 5. 6. 7. has passed an examination approved by the Department; and has paid the required fee(s). For an occupational therapist, the program shall be accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association or the board-recognized accrediting body. For an occupational therapy assistant, the program shall be approved by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association or the board-recognized accrediting body.

Additional Information:

- Applicants must submit a passport-style photo.
- Applicants must submit a copy of a driver's license or social security card.
- Applicant must submit a Verification of Education for Licensure in Occupational Therapy.
- Limited Permit available in Mississippi. Applicant must submit a Supervision Agreement signed by supervisor.

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Missouri

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Missouri.*

Board: [Missouri Division of Professional Registration](#)

Contact: 3605 Missouri Boulevard, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102-1335. Phone: 573-751-0877. Email: ot@pr.mo.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.
Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.
Jurisprudence Exam: The jurisprudence exam should be returned with the licensure application. [Missouri rules, regulations and statues related to occupational therapy](#). 80% passing rate required. [Exam link](#).
Statutes: [Link to statutes](#).
Rules: [20 CSR 2205-3.020 Application for Licensure as an Occupational Therapy Assistant](#)
Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.
- [Applications and forms](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Montana

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Montana.*
Board: [Montana Board of Occupational Therapy Practice](#)
Contact: 301 S. Park Ave., 4th Floor, Helena, MT 59620. Phone: 406-444-6880. Email: dlibsdhhelp@mt.gov.
Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.
Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.
Statutes: [37-24-303. Requirements for licensure](#).
Additional Information:

- [Application and additional information](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Nebraska

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Nebraska.*
Board: [Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services](#)
Contact: 301 Centennial Mall South, 14th & M Streets, 1st Floor, Lincoln, NE 68508. Phone: 402-471-2299. Email: DHHS.RehabOffice@nebraska.gov.
Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.
Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.
Statutes: [003. LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS](#).
Additional Information:

- Applicants must complete a criminal history background check.
- Applicants must submit proof of US citizenship or lawful presence.
- [Application and additional information](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Nevada

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Nevada.*
Board: [State of Nevada Board of Occupational Therapy](#)
Contact: 6170 Mae Anne Avenue, Suite 1, Reno, NV 89523. Phone: 775-746-4101. Email: board@nvot.org.
Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.
Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.
Jurisprudence Exam: The [Nevada Jurisprudence Exam](#) must be passed prior to issuance of a license.
Statutes: [NRS 640A.120. Qualifications for license](#).
Additional Information:

- [License requirements and application instructions.](#)

Compact: Non-Compact State.

New Hampshire

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in New Hampshire.*

Board: [New Hampshire Occupational Therapy Governing Board](#)

Contact: 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH, 03301. Phone: 603-271-2152. Email: customersupport@oplc.nh.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [326-C:5 Eligibility for Licensure.](#)

Additional Information:

- [Applications and forms.](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

New Jersey

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in New Jersey.*

Board: [New Jersey Occupational Therapy Advisory Council](#)

Contact: PO Box 45037, Newark, NJ 07101. Phone: 973-504-6570. Email: OccupationalTherapy@dca.lps.state.nj.us.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Orientation: Applicants for licensure are required to complete a jurisprudence orientation prior to licensure. [More information.](#)

Statutes: [45:9-37.62. Requirements for licensure as occupational therapy assistant.](#)

Rules: [Additional Information.](#)

Additional Information:

- Criminal history background check is required.
- [Frequently Asked Questions.](#)
- [Applications and forms.](#)

Compact: Non-Compact State.

New Mexico

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in New Mexico.*

Board: [New Mexico Board of Examiners for Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 2550 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Phone: 505-476-4500.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Exam: Applicants must pass a Jurisprudence Exam with an 80% or higher score.

Statutes: [16.15.2.8. EXAMINATION:](#)

16.15.2.9. INITIAL APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE:

Additional Information:

- [Applications and forms.](#)

Compact: Non-Compact State.

New York

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in New York.*

Board: [New York Office of the Professions, Occupational Therapy Assistants](#)

Contact: 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234-1000. Phone: 518-474-3817.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.
Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.
Statutes: [Sec. 7904-a. Requirements for license as an occupational therapy assistant.](#)
Additional Information:

- [Applications and Information.](#)
- [Full list of requirements for licensure.](#)

Compact: Pending.

North Carolina

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in North Carolina.*
Board: [North Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy](#)
Contact: 4140 Park Lake Ave, Ste 100, Raleigh, NC 27612. Phone: 919-832-1380. Email: administrator@ncbot.org.
Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.
Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.
Jurisprudence Exam: Applicants must complete an online [jurisprudence exam](#). North Carolina [Practice Act and Rules](#).
Statutes: [90-270.69. REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE](#)
Additional Information:

- The application must be purchased online for \$10.00.
- [Application and instructions.](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

North Dakota

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in North Dakota.*
Board: [North Dakota State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice](#)
Contact: PO Box 4005, Bismarck, ND 58502. Phone: 701-250-0847. Email: ndotboard@aptnd.com.
Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.
Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.
Jurisprudence Exam: The [jurisprudence exam](#) is required for new applicants.
Statutes: [43-40-08. Requirements for licensure.](#)
Additional Information:

- [Full list of requirements for licensure.](#)
- Applicants are asked questions about possible criminal convictions.

Compact: Non-Compact State.

Northern Mariana Islands

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in CNMI.*
Board: [CNMI Professional Licensing Board](#).
Contact Information: P.O. Box 502078, Bldg., 11925 Pohnpei Court Capitol Hill, Saipan, MP 96950, (670) 664-4809, info@cnmilicensing.gov.mp
Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.
Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.
Statutes: [§ 185-10-3810. Requirements for Licensure. \(d\) \(e\) \(f\) US or Canadian Trained Occupational Therapist or Occupational Therapy Assistant.](#)
Additional Information:

- Applicants are asked about US citizenship status.

- Applicants are asked about possible criminal conviction history.
- [Application](#).

Compact: Non-Compact Territory.

Ohio

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Ohio.*

Board: [Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board](#)

Contact: 77 S. High Street, 16th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215-6108. Phone: 614-466-3774. Email: Board@otptat.ohio.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Exam: Applicants must complete a [Jurisprudence Exam](#).

Statutes: [Section 4755.07 | License qualifications](#).

Additional Information:

- [Certification of Entry Level Education Form](#).
- [Application Instructions](#).
- Criminal background check is required.

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Oklahoma

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Oklahoma.*

Board: [Oklahoma Occupational Therapists and Assistants](#)

Contact: 101 NE 51st ST, Oklahoma City, OK 73105-1821. Phone: 405-962-1400. Email: supportservices@okmedicalboard.org.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [888.7. Application for license - Form - Examination and reexamination](#).

Additional Information:

- [Forms and Information](#).
- Criminal history background check is required.
- Applicants are required to submit evidence of US citizenship or legal presence.
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

Compact: Non-Compact State.

Oregon

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Oregon.*

Board: [Oregon Occupational Therapy Licensing Board](#)

Contact: 800 NE Oregon St., Ste 407, Portland, OR 97232. Phone: 971-673-0198. Email: Otlb.info@oregon.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Exam: Applicants must pass the Oregon Ethics/Law Exam. [More information](#)

Statutes: [675.250 Qualifications for licensing as occupational therapy assistant](#);

Rules: [339-010-0015. License Examinations Approved by the Board](#).

Additional Information:

- Fingerprinting background check is required.
- Applicants are required to complete a Pain Management Course. This is a free continuing education course that takes approximately 90 minutes to complete.
- [Applications and forms](#).

Compact: Non-Compact State.

Palau	<p>Determination: <i>The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements in Palau.</i></p> <p>Board: Ministry of Health and Human Services.</p> <p>Contact:</p> <p>Educational Requirement:</p> <p>Certification Exam:</p> <p>Statutes:</p> <p>Additional Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palau does not appear to license Occupational Therapy Assistants at this time.
Pennsylvania	<p>Determination: <i>The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Pennsylvania.</i></p> <p>Board: Pennsylvania State Board of Occupational Therapy Education and License</p> <p>Contact: One Penn Center, 2601 N. 3rd Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Phone: 717-783-1389. Email: ST-OCCUPATIONAL@PA.GOV.</p> <p>Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.</p> <p>Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.</p> <p>Statutes: Section 8. Requirements for licensure.</p> <p>Rules: §42.11. Licensure examination.</p> <p>Additional Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pennsylvania requires health-related initial licensees to complete a 3-hour training program on the topic of child abuse recognition and reporting. Information and list of approved training providers (online workshops are available). • Snapshot of licensure requirements. <p>Compact: Pending</p>
Puerto Rico	<p>Determination: <i>The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Puerto Rico.</i></p> <p>Board: Departamento de Salud de Puerto Rico</p> <p>Contact: Centro Médico Norte, Calle Periferial Interior, Bo. Monacillos Río Piedras, PR 00921. Phone: 787-765-2929. Email: contactus@salud.pr.gov.</p> <p>Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.</p> <p>Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.</p> <p>Statutes: PR Laws tit. 1, § 1035 (2020).</p> <p>Additional Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occupational Therapy Board of Examiners Laws. • Applicants must have resided in Puerto Rico for the six (6) months prior to the examination application, except for sporadic trips out of the country. • All assistants in occupational therapy shall present before the Board a diploma or graduation certificate, as well as an official academic record transcription, attesting that the applicant has passed or satisfactorily completed an assistant in occupational therapy study program in an educational institution recognized by the Council on Higher Education of Puerto Rico, or in an educational institution of the United States or abroad recognized or accredited by the corresponding authority and that meets, to the satisfaction of the Council on Higher Education, the minimum requirements of an assistant in occupational therapy study program. <p>Compact: Non-Compact Territory.</p>
Rhode Island	<p>Determination: <i>The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Rhode Island.</i></p>

Board: [State of Rhode Island Department of Health, Occupational Therapy \(Licensing\)](#)

Contact: 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Phone: 401-222-5960. Email: doh.license@health.ri.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: § [5-40.1-8. Requirements for licensure](#).

Additional Information:

- Applicants are asked about possible criminal convictions.
- Applicants are required to submit evidence of US citizenship or legal presence.
- [Application and licensure requirements](#).

Compact: Pending

South Carolina

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in South Carolina.*

Board: [South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 110 Centerview Dr, Columbia SC 29210. Phone: 803-896-4683. Email: Contact.OT@llr.sc.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Exam: The exam tests the applicant's knowledge of the SC Occupational Therapy Practice Act and Regulations. Applicants must have a passing score of 70%. Upon receipt of all required documents the applicant will be mailed or emailed a letter with an ID # and Password, and instructions on taking the required exam.

Statutes: [SECTION 40-36-230. Applications for licensure as occupational therapist or assistant; license requirements](#).

Additional Information:

- [Applications and forms](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

South Dakota

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in South Dakota.*

Board: [South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners](#)

Contact: 101 North Main Avenue, Suite 301, Sioux Falls, SD 57104. Phone: 605-367-7781. Email: SDBMOE@STATE.SD.US.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [36-31-6. Application for licensure--Requirements](#).

Additional Information:

- To apply, applicants must send an email to sdbmoe@state.sd.us that includes their full legal name and type of licensure they wish to apply for.
- [Licensure Requirements](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Tennessee

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Tennessee.*

Board: [Tennessee Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 665 Mainstream Drive, 2nd Floor, Nashville, TN 37243. Phone: 615-741-3807. Email: Unit2HRB.Health@tn.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [63-13-202. Applicants for licensure — Qualifications — Examinations.](#)

(a) An applicant for licensure as an occupational therapist or as an occupational therapy assistant shall file an application showing, to the satisfaction of the board of occupational therapy, that the applicant:

(1) Is of good moral character;

(2) Has successfully completed the academic requirements of an educational program accredited by ACOTE or its predecessor organization. The accredited program shall be a program for occupational therapists or a program for occupational therapy assistants, depending upon the category of licensure for which the applicant is applying;

(3) Has successfully completed the period of supervised fieldwork experience required by ACOTE; and

(4) Has made an acceptable score on a written or computerized examination designed to test the applicant's knowledge of the basic and clinical services related to occupational therapy, occupational therapy techniques and methods and other subjects that may help to determine an applicant's fitness to practice. The board of occupational therapy shall approve an examination for occupational therapists and an examination for occupational therapy assistants and shall establish standards for acceptable performance on each examination. The board is authorized to use the entry level national examinations prepared and administered by NBCOT as the examinations used to test applicants for licensure as occupational therapists or occupational therapy assistants and is authorized to use the standards of NBCOT in determining an acceptable score on each examination.

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.
- Applicants are asked to submit documentation of US citizenship or legal presence.
- [Applications and forms.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).

Texas

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Texas.*

Board: [Texas Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners](#)

Contact: 333 Guadalupe, Suite 2-510, Austin, TX 78701-3942. Phone: 512-305-6900. Email: info@ptot.texas.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [Sec. 454.203. QUALIFICATIONS FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST OR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT LICENSE.](#)

An applicant for an occupational therapist license or an occupational therapy assistant license must present evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has: (1) successfully completed the academic and supervised field work experience requirements of an educational program in occupational therapy recognized by the board, as provided by Section 454.204; and (2) passed an examination as provided by Section 454.207.

Sec. 454.204. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS. ... (2) an applicant applying for an occupational therapy assistant license must have, from an educational program approved by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education, its predecessor organization, or another national credentialing agency approved by the board: (A) an entry-level degree in occupational therapy, or a degree that exceeds the requirements for an entry-level degree in occupational therapy, from an educational program that prepares a person for entry into the field as an occupational therapy assistant;

Rules: [§364.1. Requirements for Licensure.](#) (a) All applicants for initial Texas licensure shall: (1) submit a complete application form and non-refundable application fee as set by the Executive Council; (2) submit in paper or electronic form a current color photograph that meets the

requirements for a U.S. passport. A photograph in electronic form must be of a high quality resolution comparable to that of a passport photograph in paper form; (3) submit a successfully completed Board jurisprudence examination on the Act and Rules; (4) have completed academic and supervised field work requirements of an accredited educational program in occupational therapy as per §454.203 of the Act (relating to Qualifications for Occupational Therapist or Occupational Therapy Assistant License) or if foreign-trained, have met substantially equivalent academic and supervised field work requirements as per §454.205 of the Act (relating to Foreign-Trained Applicants); (5) submit a complete and legible set of fingerprints in the manner prescribed by the Board for the purpose of obtaining criminal history record information from the Department of Public Safety and the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and ... b) The applicant must also meet the requirements in §364.2 of this title and apply by examination if the applicant: (1) has not passed the NBCOT certification examination; or (2) has passed the NBCOT certification examination and (A) is not currently licensed as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant in another state or territory of the U.S.;

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.
- [Applications and additional information.](#)

Compact: Non-Compact State.

Utah

More information is available at the [top of this page](#).

Vermont

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Vermont.*

Board: [OPR: Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 89 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-3402. Phone: 802-828-1505.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [26 V.S.A. § 3355. Eligibility.](#)

Additional Information:

- [Application instructions and forms.](#)

Compact: Pending

US Virgin Islands

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements in American Samoa.*

Board: [Office of Professional Licensure and Health Planning.](#)

Contact: (340) 718-1311

Accreditation:

Certification Exam:

Statutes:

Additional Information:

- US Virgin Islands does not appear to license Occupational Therapy Assistants at this time.

Compact: Non-Compact Territory.

Virginia

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Virginia.*

Board: [Virginia Occupational Therapy Advisory Board](#)

Contact: 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, VA 23233-1463. Phone: 804-367-4600. Email: medbd@dhp.virginia.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Rules: [18VAC85-80-40. Educational requirements.](#) & 18VAC85-80-50. Examination requirements.

Additional Information:

- Applicants must complete a NPDB Self Query.
- [Application wizard.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact.](#)

Washington

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Washington.*

Board: [Washington State Department of Health, Occupational Therapy and Occupational Therapy Assistant](#)

Contact: 111 Israel Rd. SE, Tumwater, WA 98501. Phone: 360-236-4700. Email:

hsqa.csc@doh.wa.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Jurisprudence Exam: Applicants must pass a [Jurisprudence Exam](#). Study the Washington State Occupational Therapy Practice Laws. [Information](#).

Statutes: [Licenses—Application—Requirements—Waiver](#).

Additional Information:

- Criminal background check is required.
- [Full list of license requirements.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact.](#)

West Virginia

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in West Virginia.*

Board: [West Virginia Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 1063 Maple Drive, Suite 4B, Morgantown, WV 26505. Phone: 304-285-3150. Email:

help@wvbot.org.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [§30-28-10. Qualifications of applicants for license.](#) & §30-28-11. Examination.

Additional Information:

- [Applications and additional information.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact.](#)

Wisconsin

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Wisconsin.*

Board: [Wisconsin Occupational Therapist Affiliated Credentialing Board](#)

Contact: 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison, WI 53705. Phone: 608-266-2112. Email:

dsps@wisconsin.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [OT 2.02 Applications and credentials.](#)

Additional Information:

- Applicants must submit a Certificate of Professional Education form. This form must be submitted directly from the school to the Board. The form can be found [here](#).

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact.](#)

Wyoming

Determination: *The SLCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program MEETS the educational requirements for licensure in Wyoming.*

Board: [Wyoming Board of Occupational Therapy](#)

Contact: 2001 Capitol Avenue, #127, Cheyenne, WY 82002. Phone: 307-777-3628. Email: amanda.best@wyo.gov.

Accreditation: Applicants must graduate from an ACOTE-accredited OTA program.

Certification Exam: Applicants must pass the NBCOT and have a Score Transfer sent to the Board.

Statutes: [33-40-106. Requirements for licensure; continuing education.](#)

Additional Information:

- The Board queries the National Practitioner Data Bank for applicant's professional conduct and disciplinary history.
- [Applications and additional information.](#)

Compact: Participates in the [OT Compact](#).