

# OTH 606 : Evaluation & Intervention of the Upper Extremity/ Lab

This course explores the occupational therapist's role with clients with difficulty performing everyday occupations due to common musculoskeletal problems, emphasizing the upper extremity and hand. Issues discussed include the impact of disabling events on occupational performance and the occupational therapist's role in assisting the client in adapting their home, work, and leisure activities and environments. The course explores the role of the Occupational Therapy Assistant in evaluation and intervention, focusing on the collaborative nature of the supervisory relationship. Students will learn the evaluation and intervention process, including planning, selecting appropriate methods, developing skills in assessment, and progressing interventions over time. Beginning documentation skills will be practiced through evaluations, SOAP Notes, and intervention plans. Laboratory activities will focus on clinical reasoning and skill in evaluation techniques and planning/ implementing appropriate interventions. Universal precautions will be discussed and utilized in laboratory activities.

**Credits** 4