

Webber Now Offers Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy Assisting Degree with a Minor in Health Services Administration

Babson Park, FL
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The first Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy Assisting Degree (BSOTA) with a Minor in Health Services Administration in the State of Florida is now offered at Webber International University. The BSOTA Program successfully obtained confirmation of eligibility to apply for accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) and is now pursuing the next step in the accreditation process, which is application for Candidacy Status. The program must be granted Candidacy Status, have a pre-accreditation review, complete an on-site evaluation, and be granted Accreditation Status before its graduates will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination.

The BSOTA degree prepares graduates with clinical, research, advocacy, managerial, and leadership skills, allowing them to work in various settings and specialties within the healthcare system and with clients of all ages. Graduates may work at hospitals, nursing homes, schools, mental health agencies, outpatient clinics specializing in orthopedic, neurological, and sensorimotor conditions, work as instructors in OTA schools, and as administrators. Entrepreneurship is a viable option for graduates of the BSOTA Program, with opportunities to create their own agencies delivering healthcare services. Graduates who want to gain experience within diverse settings of practice throughout the country have the option of employment as traveling therapists, selecting work assignments in the geographical area of their preference.

Additional information is available on the Program website at <https://webber.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/occupational-therapy-assisting-ota/> or by contacting the Admissions Office at 863- 638-2927.

Established in 1927 by Roger Babson as the first college chartered under Florida's then new charitable and educational laws, and America's second school of business for women, our campuses in Babson Park, FL (residential, established 1927); Charleston, SC (anticipated opening fall 2020); Charlotte, NC (anticipated opening fall 2020); Columbia, SC (anticipated opening fall 2020); Laurinburg, NC (residential, established 1896); Miami Lakes, FL (anticipated opening fall 2020); Southern Pines, NC; and West Palm Beach, FL (anticipated opening fall 2020) now educate men and women from over 50 different nations. Degrees are offered at the associates, bachelors, and masters level through traditional day, accelerated night and weekend, and entirely on-line formats. Joining Webber as a branch campus in 2011, St. Andrews University is a historically Presbyterian, comprehensive liberal arts school tracing its roots back to 1896. The University features highly qualified faculty, highly engaged staff, small class size, and a wide

array of intercollegiate sports and other extracurricular activities. The University has been recognized as a US News and World Reports Best Regional Colleges: South, a Princeton Review Best Southeastern College, and has earned Petersons' top marks for academics, value and community. The University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and numerous programs have earned additional programmatic accreditations.