

Mission Statement

To promote, encourage, and foster quality fieldwork education in collaboration with fieldwork educators for the benefit of all occupational therapy students in the state of Florida.

Vision Statement

“Developing a proactive mind-set to elevate fieldwork education to new dimensions, thus ensuring that the practitioners of tomorrow will embrace future opportunities.” (Donna Costa, 2006)

FLOTEC Schools

Adventist University
Barry University
Concorde Career Institute
Daytona State University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida A&M University
Florida International University
Florida State College at Jacksonville
Gannon University
Jacksonville University
Keiser University
Nova Southeastern University
Polk Community College
South University
State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota
The Praxis Institute
University of Florida
University of St. Augustine
Webber University



Florida Occupational Therapy Educational Consortium (FLOTEC)

The Florida Occupational Therapy Educational Consortium is an organization dedicated to the development, implementation, and support of quality fieldwork education for OT and OTA students.

The partnership between education and practice provides leadership for fieldwork education programs and fieldwork educator development.

Through open discussion, networking, and aggressive exploration of opportunities and visionary ideas, the group fosters and supports dynamic fieldwork education environments for fieldwork educators and students.

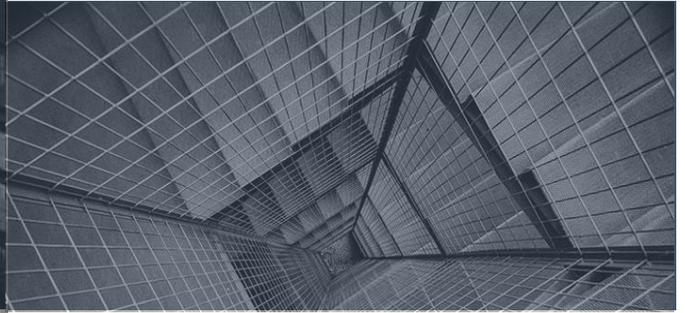
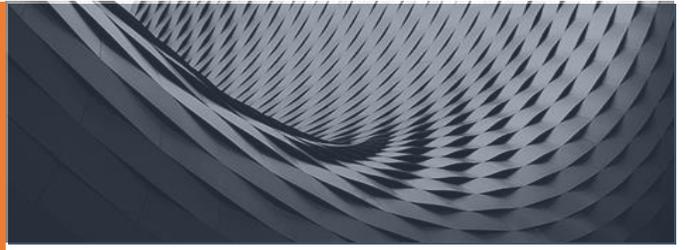
These environments enable the student to transition into a competent and socially responsible professional who understands, responds, and promotes creative problem solving in the rapidly changing, competitive health care delivery system.

The Consortium explores, designs, and implements innovations that assist practitioners in the provision of quality learning experiences to meet its mission of excellence in fieldwork education.

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Key Tips to Improving Your Effectiveness as a Fieldwork Educator





THANK YOU

Fieldwork Educators are the key to the education of every occupational therapist and OT assistant.

Your decision to be a part of the select community of fieldwork educators in occupational therapy is appreciated by the Florida Occupational Therapy Educational Consortium (FLOTEC) and the students you educate.

Without your willingness to provide fieldwork instruction, OT and OTA programs would be unable to fulfill the goals of their curricula. More importantly, because of your efforts as fieldwork educators, OT and OTA students in Florida have a solid foundation for their professional development.

Please use these suggestions as you plan for your student and work with your student during his or her fieldwork experience.

Write down what the student is doing well as well as what needs to be worked on.

Enhancing Your Effectiveness

Share your expectations of the student early in the fieldwork experience.

The student wants to know what he/she should be doing to be a successful clinician in your facility.

Ask your student to share their goals and expectations on the first day of the experience

. This will give you the opportunity to incorporate them into your expectations of the student.

Set aside the time to give your student feedback. Even 15 minutes each day will foster healthy communication between you and your student.

THANKS

Plan for your student's project or presentation early - be sure that it meets your department's needs. This provides for a relevant project or presentation for the department.

Expect your student to come in every day with a written plan for each of the patients that will be seen. Be sure that you express this to the student and ask them what they have planned to do.

For the students to become well rounded clinicians, they need to experience administrative responsibilities such as scheduling, marketing and quality assurance. Create opportunities for your students to develop these important skills

Call the school's Academic Fieldwork Coordinator (AFWC) if you have any questions or concerns. The AFWC is especially trained to assist you with any concerns or challenges you are facing with your student.



