Occupational Therapy

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Websites

AC Occupational Therapy Assistant Department—Recommended sites.

<u>ABLEDATA</u>—Provides information on assistive technology and rehabilitation equipment available to consumers, organizations, professionals, and caregivers within the United States. Sponsored by The National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation of the U.S. Department of Education.

<u>ADA Home page, Department of Justice</u>—Information and technical assistance regarding the American's With Disabilities Act.

American Occupational Therapy Association—Student section

<u>Christopher and Dana Reeve Paralysis Resource Center</u>—Information including research, technology, rehabilitation and more for both caregivers and patients.

<u>Guide to wheelchairs and assistive technology</u>—Reviews and source lists for products such as wheelchairs, electric scooters and standing devices. A program of the United Spinal Association.

How to read a research article—Article in *Journal for Specialists in Pediatric Nursing* advises clinicians how to read a research article.

<u>The Merck Manual of Geriatrics: Occupation Therapy (Chapter 30)</u>—Provides information on the use of occupational therapy in a geriatric setting.

Occupational Therapist Assistant career – information from the current Occupational Outlook Handbook provided by the U.S. Department of Labor.

<u>Medline Plus:</u> The National Library of Medicine creates content and also includes evaluated sources on a variety of topics, primarily for patients or laymen. Search "occupational therapy" or rehabilitation or more specific diseases or disabilities such as stroke or paralysis.

<u>The Rehabilitation Provider's Guide to Cultures of the Foreign-Born</u>—Center for International Rehabilitation Research Information and Exchange (CIRRIE). State University of New York at Buffalo. Contains specific information about culture that

rehabilitation service providers can use to more effectively meet the needs of foreign-born recipients of rehabilitation services.

Rehabilitation sources from National Library of Medicine, MedlinePlus—General overviews, clinical trials, specific aspects of conditions, professional news and organizations and links to article abstracts (contact the AC Library for full text).

AC Library Databases

<u>Health Reference Center Academic</u>—provides searchable full text information from medical reference books and articles from refereed periodical literature including full text of journals such as Topics in Geriatric Rehabilitation, Rehab Continuum Report, and Topics in Geriatric Rehabilitation.

<u>Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition</u>—provides articles from more than 500 scholarly full text and abstracted journals such a Clinical Rehabilitation, Occupational Therapy International. Also contains a medical dictionary.

<u>CINAHL</u>—Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature covers nursing, biomedicine, health sciences librarianship, alternative/complementary medicine, consumer health and 17 allied health disciplines. Contains abstracts or full text, depending on the publisher.

<u>STAT!Ref</u>—is an electronic medical library that enables users to cross-search more than 35 full text medical reference and textbooks covering physiology, pharmacology, internal medicine, obstetrics, psychiatry, pediatrics, urology, dermatology, geriatrics, emergency medicine and more.

Electronic Books

Note: There are a number of related books in the <u>EBSCO eBooks</u> database. These are just a few samples. Please log in using your WebAdvisor ID and password.

<u>Career as an Occupational Therapist: Healthcare Professional Careers,</u> No. 102. Chicago: Institute for Career Research, 2005.

<u>Evidence-based Practice for Occupational Therapists.</u> Taylor, M. Clare. Oxford: Malden, Mass. Blackwell Science, 2000.

<u>Opportunities in Occupational Therapy Careers.</u> Abbott, Marguerite; Franciscus, Mary Louise; Weeks, Zona Roberta. Chicago: NTC Contemporary, 2000.

<u>Choosing Assistive Devices: a Guide for Users and Professionals.</u> Pain, Helen; McLellan, D. Lindsay; Gore, Sally. Philadelphia: Jessica Kingsley Publishers, 2003.

Occupational Therapy in Childhood. Hong, Chia Swee; Howard, Lynne. Philadelphia: Whurr Publishing, 2002.

Occupational Therapy and Stroke. Edmans, Judi. Philadelphia: Whurr Publishing, 2001.

Print Books

Librarians can help students identify suitable books for assignments. You can save time by seeking their assistance.

Washington Street Campus

Walk-in assistance: Go to the second floor of Lynn Library. Use the telephone located on the small table near the main computer sign-in desk to call the research help number, which is posted. The librarian on duty will respond.

Assistance by appointment: Call 371-5403 or 345-5582 to make an appointment for uninterrupted individual help.

Assistance by telephone: Call 371-5468 or toll-free 866-371-5468.

West Campus

Note: The West Campus Library specializes in nursing, allied health, criminal justice, child development, and mortuary science.

Walk-in assistance: Go to the AC area of the Amarillo Public Library Northwest Branch, which is located in the southeast corner of the AC West Campus (closest to Bell Street). (The AC area is located in the back right-hand corner of the building.) The AC librarian on duty will assist you. You will need a valid library card to check out a book. Call 371-5400 for information about how to obtain a library card.

Assistance by telephone: Call 356-3627.