

Estimated Cost for Delgado Occupational Therapy Assistant Program

Program Tuition and Fees:

**Louisiana Resident Tuition and Fees (12 credits) \$2039.52/semester

**Nonresident Tuition and Fees (12 credits) \$4183.92/semester

Note: OTA Program students pay the same tuition and fees as other credit students enrolled in the college. First two semesters are 12 credits – summer is 9 credits; final fall is 7 credits plus graduation fees which may lessen overall semester cost.

Estimated Expenses	Description	Timeline
Textbooks \$1465	Intro Course = \$250 First Fall = \$370 Spring = \$745 Summer = \$100	First day of each semester
Castlebranch \$102	Health records management system that includes the required drug screen and background check.	Sept. 1 First Fall semester
Health Exam/Titers Varies based on individual health insurance	A complete physical health exam including negative TB test, blood titers for hepatitis B, measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella are required. In cases of negative titers, re-vaccination may be required. Flu shots are required for clinical fieldwork October through March. *COVID vaccine may be required in future for fieldwork.	Sept. 1 First Fall Semester
Miscellaneous Fees	The SOTA (Student OTA) Club is run by the program students for the purposes of outreach and fundraising. Participation is encouraged but optional.	Varies by semester
SOTA Dues \$20		
Monogrammed polo shirt \$30	Uniform shirts for group fieldtrips and service learning experiences.	Sept. 1
Group Project Supplies \$50 – 100	Students may be required to purchase supplies for occasional group projects.	As needed
Scrubs \$30-50	Fieldwork sites may be required a scrub uniform for completion of fieldwork in final fall semester.	Aug. 1 Second Fall Semester
Professional Memberships \$100	Membership is encouraged in AOTA and LOTA as this offers practical resources and networking opportunities as well as supports efforts to support the profession.	Sept. 1 First Fall Semester
Certification Prep Course \$200	Prior to graduation, students participate in this course to prepare for the NBCOT certification exam – cost may be offset by SOTA funds as determined by the members.	Nov. 1 Final Fall Semester
Post-graduation Costs NBCOT Certification Exam \$515 State Initial Licensure Fee \$100 in LA (LSBME)	National certification is required prior to practicing as an OTA. All states require licensing for OT practice within each state. Procedures will be discussed in OCTA 221 OTA Seminar course.	2-6 months post-graduation