

Our Fieldwork Program Motto

“Be the Change You Wish To See” Gandhi

**We are very proud of our students and our Fieldwork Educators!
Together, we believe that we can “change the world”!**

The diagram below is an overview of our educational program. We strive to educate OTA students that are professionals that know how to create person centered, occupation based interventions that support individuals to live a life that has meaning and purpose.

Fieldwork is a strong component of our educational program and includes three (3) Clinical rotations and two (2) Practicum rotations.

Clinical Rotation Goals

The goal of the three Clinical rotations is to **introduce** students to the working world of occupational therapy. It provides the students their first opportunity to apply classroom knowledge to practice and develop an understanding of the needs of clients. To support this goal, the clinical course instructor as well as other professionals working within community settings guide student learning as Fieldwork Educators. The Clinical courses complement a corresponding classroom course. The Clinical courses focus on pediatrics, community mental health and adult populations. Each Clinical course provides 96 hours of hands on learning and guided online instruction to support the early development of clinical reasoning skills.

Practicum Rotation Goals

The goal of the two Practicum rotations is develop **competent**, entry level occupational therapy practitioners. At the heart of our Fieldwork program is our Fieldwork Educators. They are the professionals that help our students move from student to practitioner. While under their instruction and guidance, students begin to “connect the dots” between classroom education and the working world of OT. We VALUE our Fieldwork Educators and know they are “worth their weight in gold”... We cannot do this work without them!

To support our Fieldwork Educators we created a program called the **24K Club**. Our Fieldwork Educators have access to free continuing education and resources needed to provide occupation based interventions within their settings. It is a small “thank you” for the service and dedication to our students at Panola College OTA Program. If you have any question or want to join our Fieldwork Educator 24K Club, please contact Terrie King, OTR, LPC Academic Fieldwork Coordinator at 903-692-3463 or tking@panola.edu



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1. Online Fieldwork Educator training
2. Dementia Capable Care Certificate
3. Advanced Pediatric Skills