

Code of Professional Conduct for Occupational Therapy Students

The School of Physical and Occupational Therapy (School) requires adherence to the following code of professional conduct by all students registered in the Occupational Therapy undergraduate and graduate programs. This code is not a substitute for other policies and codes and is also not an exhaustive list of requirements for appropriate conduct.

Because Occupational Therapy is a health profession, the highest level of ethical and professional standards must be respected during all aspects of academic and clinical training. Students have the responsibility to use common sense, good judgment and reflection to differentiate between appropriate and inappropriate behaviours.

Throughout their academic and clinical studies students must:

1. Pursue excellence in the acquisition of knowledge, skills and attitudes in the profession to which they aspire to belong:
 - a. Be reliable, timely and responsive with respect to assigned responsibilities;
 - b. Attend all laboratory sessions and lectures as indicated in the Course Guide or provide appropriate notification of absence;
 - c. Be on time for classes;
 - d. Actively participate in classes;
 - e. Behave in a respectful and non-disruptive manner (examples of unacceptable behaviour: talking with classmates, texting or answering phone during class, disruptive or unprofessional behavior at site visits or at the Simulation Centre);
2. Behave with honesty, integrity, fairness and in an accountable manner;
3. Communicate and interact with respect, courtesy and without harassment (peers, School staff, clinical instructors, Faculty, guest lecturers, etc.);
4. Wear appropriate clothing and shoes according to the situation (e.g. class presentations, clinical site visits, practical sessions, mOSCEs and OSCEs, clinical placements, etc.);
5. Respect the confidential nature of health information (patient records, case discussions, etc.);

Use mobile computing and communications devices in class according to the rules, if allowed by the instructor; [_____]
7. Use School resources (classrooms, buildings, material, etc.) according to the rules;
[_____]
8. Adhere to the policy on plagiarism (article 15A) in McGill's Code of Student Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures in the