

The writing sample will be held via Zoom video conferencing.

Applicant will be emailed instructions on how to join a writing sample session via Zoom video conferencing after all application materials have been received.

Students will select one of two prompts to write a short essay.

- 20 minutes will be given to complete the short essay.

The writing sample will be evaluated for content using this rubric:

Competency	Excellent 20	Good 15	Acceptable 10	Poor 5
Content for empathy/ interpersonal relations	Demonstrates a deep sense of empathy, insight, and caring attitude with several specific examples	Demonstrates a sense of empathy, insight, and caring attitude with few specific examples	Information is more descriptive than feeling based	Information is not relevant or is unclear
	Excellent 20	Good 15	Acceptable 10	Poor 5
Content for understanding of OT Practice	Demonstrates a solid understanding of OT practice with several specific examples	Demonstrates an understanding of OT practice with few specific examples	Information is related to OT practice	Information is not relevant or is unclear

Applicants requesting accommodation must contact the DSPS Office at 714-564-6295 or by email: [dsps@sac.edu](mailto:dsps@sac.edu) to schedule a DSPS Qualifying appointment. Applicants must provide the accommodation letter at least 1-2 weeks in advance of the writing sample.