

Occupational Therapy Assistant Program

40th Anniversary 1973-2013

Regina Lehman, MS, OT/L, Professor, OTA Program Director

Regina Lehman is the Program Director for the LAGCC OTA Program. In addition to directing and teaching in the OTA Program, Ms. Lehman is the Faculty Co-Director of Assessment and Institutional Learning for LaGuardia Community College. She has been an occupational therapist for over 35 years and an occupational therapy educator in both OT and OTA programs for over 30 years. Effective September 2020, Ms. Lehman earned the promotion to Full, Tenured Professor. Ms. Lehman's commitment to scholarship in occupational therapy education over the last year resulted in three co-authored publications that will appear in the National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment, New Directions for Teaching and Learning Special Edition, and New Directions for Teaching and Learning in Community Colleges in 2021. Ms. Lehman is also a Review and Study Guide contributor and OTA Course instructor for TherapyEd, Ltd.

Sherrell Powell, EdD, OTR/L, Professor

Dr. Powell retired from her position of tenured full professor at the close of the spring 2020 semester. She was a valued faculty member of the LaGuardia Community College OTA Program for 40 years.

Michele D. Mills, MA, OTR/L, Associate Professor and Academic Fieldwork Coordinator

Michele Mills joined the faculty of the OTA Program at LaGuardia Community College in September 2015. Ms. Mills is Chair of the Health Sciences Department Curriculum Committee, as a compliment to her teaching and fieldwork coordinator roles at LaGuardia Community College. She has been an occupational therapist for over 35 years and an occupational therapy educator for over 30 years. Using the platform of professional development, Ms. Mills aims to promote leadership and strengthen OT / OTA collaboration within OTA education. In November 2020, Ms. Mills was a featured speaker at the New York State Occupational Therapy Association 2020 Virtual Conference, as an awardee of the Jim Hinojosa Memorial Lectureship. It is Ms. Mills' hope that the profession of occupational therapy will closely attend to the ethical pillars and the cornerstones of occupational therapy practice to promote and then sustain diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Luisa Hindle, COTA, CPAM, OTA Program College Laboratory Technician.

Luisa Hindle is a graduate of the LaGuardia OTA Program. Ms Hindle supports OTA education and the LAGCC OTA Program through collaboration with the full time and part time faculty, as it relates to the coordination of laboratory activities throughout the curriculum. Ms. Hindle has over 28 years of clinical experience in pediatrics. She is tenured and certified in physical agent modalities. Ms. Hindle is also the LaGuardia Community College Faculty Mentor for the Student Occupational Therapy Assistant Club.