

# Melissa Rene Mattner DHSc, OTR/L

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## Education

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| 2023 | Doctor of Health Sciences, Post-Professional<br>University of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN             |
| 2011 | Master of Science in Occupational Therapy<br>Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI                  |
| 2007 | Bachelor of Arts in Management & Organizational Development<br>Spring Arbor University, Spring Arbor, MI |

## Professional Experience: Academic

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| 2022 - Present | Assistant Professor<br>Colorado Mesa University – Department of Occupational Therapy<br>Grand Junction, CO                  |
| 2021 – 2022    | Part-Time Instructor<br>Colorado Mesa University – Department of Occupational Therapy<br>Grand Junction, CO                 |
| 2021           | Part-Time Instructor<br>Baylor University – Department of Occupational Therapy<br>Waco, TX                                  |
| 2015-2016      | Part Time Instructor / Level 1 Clinics<br>Western Michigan University – Department of Occupational Therapy<br>Kalamazoo, MI |
| 2009 – 2010    | Graduate Assistant<br>Western Michigan University – Department of Occupational Therapy                                      |

## Professional Experience: Clinical

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| 2022 - Present | Occupational Therapist – Early Intervention<br>Community Options, Inc., Montrose, CO           |
| 2022 - Present | Occupational Therapist – Early Intervention<br>Mesa Developmental Services, Grand Junction, CO |
| 2019 – 2022    | Pediatric Occupational Therapist<br>Delta Health / Delta Home Health, Delta, CO                |
| 2018 – 2019    | Occupational Therapist<br>Welbrook Transitional Rehabilitation, Grand Junction, CO             |
| 2017 – 2018    | Pediatric Occupational Therapist<br>Montrose Memorial Hospital, Montrose, CO                   |

2014 – 2017 Pediatric Occupational Therapist  
NovaCare Rehabilitation, Kalamazoo, MI

2012-2014 Occupational Therapist  
Kalamazoo Public Schools, Kalamazoo, MI

2011 Occupational Therapist  
Lakeland Regional Healthcare, Watervliet, MI

### Teaching Experience

2023 - Present Course Lead Instructor  
Colorado Mesa University  
OCCU 512: Professional Skills and Occupation Based Practice 1 (2 CR)

2022 – Present Course Lead Instructor  
Colorado Mesa University  
OCCU 531: Occupation-Based Practice and Theory  
for Children and Adolescents (4 CR)

2022 – Present Course Lead Instructor  
Colorado Mesa University  
OCCU 520 – Brain & Behavior (3 CR)

2021 – Present Course Lead Instructor  
Colorado Mesa University  
OCCU 511 – Lifespan and Occupational Performance (2 CR)

2021 Course Instructor  
Baylor University  
OTD 645 – Child and Youth Populations and Practice in Occupational Therapy

### Presentations

2023 **Mattner, M.**, Fahrnbach, N., Fox, A., Mateo, A., Fortuna, J., & Cantwell-Jurkovic, L. (2023, October 14). *Self-Determination Theory in Pediatric Occupational Therapy: A Scoping Review* [Poster presentation]. Occupational Therapy Association of Colorado Conference, Parker, CO.

2022 Fortuna, J.& **Mattner, M.** (2022). *Use of Pre-Visit Materials to Improve the Museum Experience for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder.* [Conference session.] Occupational Therapy of Association of Colorado Conference, Parker, CO.

2019 Guest Lecturer  
Assessing Play in Children with Disabilities  
Colorado Mesa University  
ESSL 290 – Milestone: The Role of Play & Leisure Across the Lifespan

### Publications

2019 Hugentobler, J., **Mattner, M.**, & Montoya, V. (2019, July 14). *Mann assessment of swallowing ability (MASA)*. Mann Assessment of Swallowing Ability. Retrieved from <https://www.sralab.org/rehabilitation-measures/mann-assessment-swallowing-ability-masa>

## Service

### Professional Service

2023 - Present	Admissions Director Occupational Therapy Program Colorado Mesa University
2023	Conference Proposal Reviewer American Occupational Therapy Association (Inspire 24)
2023	Co-Chair Faculty Search Committee Occupational Therapy Program, Colorado Mesa University
2022	Co-Chair Faculty Search Committee Occupational Therapy Program, Colorado Mesa University
2022	Conference Proposal Reviewer American Occupational Therapy Association (Mental Health Specialty Conference and Inspire 23)
2021 – Present	Advisory Board Member Occupational Therapy Assistant Program Central Methodist University – Fayette, MO
2021 – Present	Co-Leader Western Slope District Occupational Therapy Association of Colorado

### Professional Qualifications

National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy #284934, Renewal: 3/2026  
State of Colorado Occupational Therapy License #OT.0003375, Renewal: 12/2024

### Professional Affiliations

2018 – Present	Member Western Slope District Co-Leader Occupational Therapy Association of Colorado (OTAC), Renewal 3/2024
2011 - Present	Member American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), Renewal 6/2023
2022 – Present	Member

**Professional Training & Certifications**

2021	TMR Tots for Torticollis – From Feet to Feeding
2020	Optimizing Breastfeeding Safety and Outcomes in the Presence of Feeding and Swallowing Disorders
2020	SOS Approach to Feeding
2020	ARFID: The Anxious Eater
2019	Prevention of Feeding, Speech, and Mouth Development Problems: Birth to Age 2
2016	Mealtime Miseries
2014	AOTA Fieldwork Educators Certificate Workshop