Occupational Therapy

The School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Occupational Therapy Doctorate (OTD)



HOW TO APPLY

The program has a three-step application process.

OTCAS Application – Applicants must first apply by using the Centralized Application Service (www.otcas.org).

Verification of the OTCAS Application – OTCAS will then go through the process of verifying your application. This process can take up to 6 weeks and if unverified by OTCAS by OSU's deadline, it will be considered incomplete and not reviewable.

OSU's Supplemental Application – Once the application has been submitted and verified by OTCAS, applicants will receive an email from OSU with instruction on how to complete the OSU supplemental application and pay the supplemental application fee. Contact HRS.Admissions@osumc.edu with any questions.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- BACHELOR'S DEGREE: A bachelor's degree (B.S. or B.A.) from an accredited North American college or university, or a comparable degree from a recognized foreign college or university must be earned prior to the start of the program.
- PREREQUISITES: Completion of prerequisite courses or acceptable approved equivalents with a grade of C or higher.
 *Due to COVID-19, any prerequisite course taken as PA/NP or S/U will be accepted if taken during the Spring 2020 semester.
- **GPA:** Academic achievement is demonstrated by the cumulative grade-point average and the grades earned in the program prerequisites. The GPA will be computed using ALL grades earned from ALL institutions attended, and only applicants with a cumulative GPA of a 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale) at the time of application will be evaluated for possible admission.
- **GRE:** Requirement waived for the 2020-2021 application cycle due to COVID-19. If applicant chooses to submit GRE scores, application will be scored twice once with GRE and once without; higher of the two will be used.
- HOURS OF OBSERVATION: Requirement waived for the 2020-2021 application cycle due to COVID-19. Applicants are still encouraged to submit any observation hours they were able to obtain through the OTCAS application.
- PERSONAL STATEMENT: All applicants are required to submit a personal statement as part of the general application on OTCAS. Your statement should reflect why you chose OT as a career and how an OT degree related to your immediate and long-term goals.
- TETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: 3 letters of recommendation are required from all applicants. Recommenders should be professors, current or former employers, coached from a collegiate sports team, or supervisor from a clinical or non-clinical volunteer experience. Applicants are not permitted to use family members or friends for evaluations.
- INTERVIEW: An interview will be offered to qualifying applicants and are by invitation only.
- TOEFL (International Students Only): A minimum TOEFL score of 550 on the paper-based test (or 79 on the internet version) will be required of applicants whose native language is not English. An alternative English proficiency test, International English Language Testing System (IELTS) will also be accepted with scores of 7 or higher.

PREREQUISITE COURSES

These courses must be completed prior to admission to the major. Ohio State course numbers shown below.

Abnormal Psychology*

PSYCH 3331

Human Anatomy*

ANATOMY 2300 or 3300

Human Physiology*

EEOB 2520 or PHYSIO 3200

Introductory Sociology

SOCIOL 1101

Biology

BIOLOGY 1101, 1102, or 1113

Elementary or General Statistics

STAT 1350.01, 1450.01 or higher

Intermediate/Technical Writing

ENGLISH 3305 or any 2367 course

Medical Terminology

HTHRHSC 2500 or CLASSICS 2010

Courses with an asterisk (*) must be completed by the end of the fall semester prior to the start of the OTD program.

Lab sections of Anatomy and Physiology courses are recommended but not required.

If Anatomy and Physiology courses are offered as a combined course, two courses of the combined anatomy-physiology content are required (ex: A&P I and A&P II).

Course credit awarded through Advanced Placement (AP) exams may be applied toward direct equivalent prerequisites.

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Thursday, July 16th, 2020 2020-2021 OTCAS application opens

Thursday, October 1st, **2020**OSU's OTCAS submission deadline

Tuesday, June 1st, 2021 OSU's OTD program begins

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		YEAR 1			
Summer		Autumn		Spring	
Introduction to the Profession		Foundations of the Professions		Foundations of Practice	
AN 6000 Advanced Anatomy	5	OT 6120 Occupations in Life and Community	2	OT 6189 Mental Health Fieldwork	1
OT 6110 ^{OT Foundations & Theory}	2	OT 6130 OT Introductory Skills	2	OT 6210 Neuromusculoskeletal/Sensory	3
TOTAL	7	OT 6131 ^{OT Introductory Skills (Lab)}	1	OT 6211 ^{NMS/Sensory (Lab)}	2
		OT 6140 OT Task Analysis and Core Skills	3	OT 6220 ^{Mental Health/Cognition}	3
		OT 6150 Neuroscience	2	OT 6221 Mental Health/Cognition (Lab)	1
		OT 6730 Research Methods I	2	OT 6251 Physical Agent Modalities	1
		OT 6160 Assessing Occupation: Biomechanics	1	OT 7310 OT with Young Children	2
		HTHRHSC 7900 Evidence-Based Prac I	1	OT 7311 OT with Young Children (Lab)	1
		TOTAL	14	OT 7440 Fieldwork Preparation	1
				HTHRHSC 7910 Evidence-Based Prac II	1
				TOTAL	16
		YEAR 2			
Summer	Autumn		Spring		
Practice with Diverse Popular	tions	Engagement in Occupation and Prac	tice	Fieldwork	
OT 6230 Orthopedics in OT	4	OT 6289 Physical Function Fieldwork	1	OT 7189 Level II Fieldwork	9
OT 6510S Service Learning*	1	OT 6389 Pediatrics Fieldwork	1	TOTAL	9
OT 6740 Clinical Guidelines	2	OT 6510S Service Learning*	1		
OT 7260 OT with Older Adults	2	OT 7270 Occupational Performance	3		
OT 7320 OT with Adolescents	2	OT 7271 Occupational Performance (Lab)	1	*Students must only take OT 651	OS
TOTAL	11	OT 7280 Geriatrics	1	once, either in Summer or Autum	
		OT 7281 Geriatrics (Lab)	1	Year 2.	
		OT 7411 Assistive Technology	2		
		OT 7447 Fieldwork Preparation II	1		
		OT 7710 Capstone Preparation	1		
		TOTAL	13		
		YEAR 3			
Summer		Autumn		Spring	
Fieldwork		Advanced Practice		Capstone & Doctoral Experience	
OT 7189 Level!! Fieldwork	9	OT 7420 Management	3	OT 7389 Doctoral Experience	9
HTHRHSC 8998 Practicum	1	OT 7430 Supervision and Consultation	2	OT 7730 Capstone Project Completion	2
TOTAL	10	OT 7720 Capstone Project Proposal	2	TOTAL	11
		Select One:	2		
		OT 7350 Pediatric Practice		Return to campus for presentatio	ns
		OT 7780 Neurorehabilitation Practice		and graduation!	
		OT 7790 Orthopedic OT			
		OT 7770 Assistive Technology			
		TOTAL	9		
		Candidacy (comprehensive) Exam			
		Questions?			

Ohio State academic programs are designed to prepare students to sit for applicable licensure or certification in Ohio. If you plan to pursue licensure or certification in a state other than Ohio, please review state educational requirements for licensure and certification and state licensing board contact information at http://go.osu.edu/onground for on-campus programs.

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