



## MASTER IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PREREQUISITE COURSES AND DESCRIPTIONS

Completion of the following courses can be accomplished through enrollment (on campus or online) at an accredited university or community college. Prerequisites can be in progress when a student applies to the program; admitted students must complete all prerequisites before the program start date in August. Students must earn a grade of C- or higher in order to fulfill prerequisite courses. Please note that one course cannot be used to satisfy more than one prerequisite.

PREREQUISITE COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS	QUARTER HOURS
<b>MATH/SCIENCE PREREQUISITES (PREFERRED M/S GPA 3.25)</b>		
<b>Human Anatomy with Lab</b> Human anatomy and physiology may be taken as separate courses or as a combined anatomy and physiology course. If anatomy and physiology is offered as a two- or three-part sequence (i.e., A & P I and II), all courses in the sequence must be completed. Accompanying lab is required.	4*	6*
<b>Physiology with Lab</b> Human anatomy and physiology may be taken as separate courses or as a combined anatomy and physiology course. If anatomy and physiology is offered as a two- or three-part sequence (i.e., A & P I and II), all courses in the sequence must be completed. Accompanying lab is required.	4*	6*
<b>Biology or Physical Science with Lab</b> Any biology, chemistry, or physical science course is acceptable. Accompanying lab is required.	4*	6*
<b>Statistics</b> A one-semester course in general statistics is required. Any basic college-level statistics course will be acceptable. Business, psychology or biological science statistics courses are accepted.	3	4.5
<b>Kinesiology or Biomechanics</b> A one-semester, broad and introductory course in kinesiology or biomechanics is required; course must cover normal movement of the human body.	3	4.5
<b>PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSES</b>		
<b>General Psychology</b> A broad and introductory course in general psychology is required.	3	4.5
<b>Developmental Psychology or Lifespan Development</b> All acceptable courses must cover the lifespan from conception through death and cover social, cognitive, emotional, and physical development.	3	4.5
<b>Abnormal Psychology</b> A broad and introductory course in abnormal psychology is required.	3	4.5

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*\*If course has less than the specified number of credit hours, student will be asked to provide a syllabus to verify that the course had a lab component.*



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<b>PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSES (CONTINUED)</b>		
<b>Sociology/Anthropology</b> Any course from sociology or anthropology department is acceptable.	3	4.5
<b>Speech/Communication Course</b> A one-semester course focused on public speaking or communication is required.	3	4.5
<b>GENERAL COURSES</b>		
<b>Ethics/Theology/Philosophy</b> (also includes religion)	3	4.5
<b>Medical Terminology</b> A one-semester course in medical terminology is required.	1	1.5

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The entry-level occupational therapy master's degree program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 6116 Executive Boulevard, Suite 200, North Bethesda, MD 20852-4929. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-4074 and its Web address is [www.acoteonline.org](http://www.acoteonline.org). Graduates of the program will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be an Occupational Therapist, Registered (OTR). In addition, all states require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination. Note that a felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure. Students must complete Level II fieldwork within 18 months following completion of the didactic portion of the program.

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