

# Master of Occupational Therapy

# College of Health & Human Services

Occupational therapy is a health and human service profession. Licensed occupational therapy practitioners provide an invaluable service to individuals, groups and populations.

The Master of Occupational Therapy program at GSU prepares you to meet the increasing demands of individuals relying on your expertise to gain, regain, maintain and improve their participation in life activities and promote quality of life. You will have opportunities to be of service to others in a wide variety of practice settings – from hospitals and rehabilitation centers to schools, workplaces, private practices and community service organizations.

## Comprehensive Preparation

The MOT program at Governors State University is an intensive, 78 credit hour (7semester) curriculum that provides you with the comprehensive knowledge and skills you need to take the NBCOT exam and become a licensed practicing member of the profession.

Our program places a strong emphasis on advocacy, communication, critical reasoning and lifelong learning that empower you to become a highly effective professional.

The MOT program at Governors State is fully accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association, located at 6116 Executive Blvd, Suite 200, North Bethesda, MD 20852-4929.

To reach ACOTE by phone: 301.652.6611 or by email: [www.acoteonline.org](http://www.acoteonline.org)

## How to Apply

Entry to the program is by application. Application information is available at [www.govst.edu/chhs/mot/apply/](http://www.govst.edu/chhs/mot/apply/)

Application to the MOT program is through an occupational therapy centralized application service: OTCAS (<http://www.otcas.org>)

If you have questions after review of the website, contact MOT Admission Coordinator, Dr. Erin Simpson at [esimpson2@govst.edu](mailto:esimpson2@govst.edu)

## Fact

Employment of Occupational Therapists is expected to increase by 16% between 2019-2029.

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, found on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/Health-care/occupational-therapists.htm>. Visited 7/12/2021.



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## Special Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting university admission criteria, applicants must have successfully completed the following prerequisites in addition to, or in conjunction with, a baccalaureate degree:

- Social and Behavioral Sciences Required: (9credits)
  - General Psychology - (3 credits)
  - Abnormal Psychology - (3 credits)
  - Developmental psychology or other related Life Span Development course - (3 credits)
- Human Anatomy and Physiology with lab (8 credits)
- Medical Terminology (1 credit)
- Orientation to Occupational Therapy (2 credits)

## Additional Requirements and Interview Process:

- Students must have an undergraduate cumulative GPA of 2.75 excluding your freshman and sophomore year.
- A personal statement paper - articulate why you are choosing occupational therapy as a career.
- Three letters of recommendation: One must be from a healthcare professional, one from an academic person; one from a mentor, employer, advisor, or volunteer experience supervisor.
- Interview by invitation based on review of application.

- A \$750 seat deposit is required.

## Required Courses (78 Hours)

- OCCT 6605 Graduate Studies in OT Seminar (1)
- OCCT 6615 Functional Anatomy (4)
- OCCT 6616 Functional Anatomy Lab (1)
- OCCT 6635 Applied Neuroscience for OT (3)
- OCCT 6704 Occupational Therapy Foundations (3)
- OCCT 6732 Models of Practice (3)
- OCCT 7140 Occupational Therapy Foundations II (3)
- OCCT 7240 Level I A - Psychosocial Practice (1)
- OCCT 7250 Level I B - Pediatric Practice (1)
- OCCT 7260 Level I C - Adult Practice (1)
- OCCT 7710 Movement for Occupation (3)
- OCCT 7711 Movement for Occupation Lab (1)
- OCCT 7795 Research (3)
- OCCT 7805 Pediatric Assessment and Intervention (3)
- OCCT 7805 Pediatric Assessment and Intervention Lab (1)
- OCCT 7815 Adult Assessment and Intervention (3)
- OCCT 7816 Adult Assessment and Intervention Lab(1)
- OCCT 7825 Aging (2)
- OCCT 7832 Assistive Technology (3)
- OCCT 7833 Seminar in Physical Agent Modalities (1)
- OCCT 7845 Leadership and Management (3)
- OCCT 7785 Health Promotion, Wellness and Prevention (3)
- OCCT 8905 Independent Research Study (3)
- OCCT 8945 Professional Seminar (1)
- OCCT 8950 Fieldwork Level II A (8)
- OCCT 8960 Fieldwork Level II B (8)

*All Occupational Therapy students must complete Level II fieldwork within 24 months following completion of the didactic portion of the program.*

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