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Improving Lives Through Advanced Practice

The dynamic nature of health and human services offers challenging opportunities for advanced and specialized occupational therapy practice. There is a compelling need for the practice scholar. The advanced practice occupational therapist will actively enrich current clinical practice through knowledge building and skill development to aligned with current or anticipated professional desires.

Consider the College of Health and Human Services' Doctor of Occupational Therapy (DrOT) program if you are ready to take your expertise to the next level. Students in our program explore, apply, and develop the best practice models, knowledge, and expertise they will need to take on Leadership, Education, Research, and Advocacy roles in the profession. The DrOT program will prepare you to be an innovator in both traditional and emerging areas of occupational therapy using real-life applications.

Welcome Enrichment

If you are a certified and licensed occupational therapist with a master's degree in occupational therapy and are looking for a way to progress in your field, consider our program. Refine your current clinical practice and begin to welcome new opportunities by further developing your education of occupational therapy. The Governors State University DrOT sequence of courses provides you with the knowledge and skills that will open opportunities in leadership, education, research and advocacy.

Learn More!

If you'd like to speak to a program representative to learn more about the DrOT, program, contact Dr. Cynthia Carr, Department of Occupational Therapy Program Coordinator at ccarr@govst.edu or (708)534-7292. Visit the DrOT website at <https://www.govst.edu/drot/>

Admission Requirements

Applicants must meet, provide or show evidence of the following admission requirements:

1. Provide transcripts from a masters degree from an occupational therapy program accredited by ACOTE; International students must have graduated from a masters level program accredited by the World Federation of Occupational Therapy (WFOT).
2. A minimum graduate GPA of 3.0, on a 4.0 point scale;
3. Certification from NBCOT;
4. Current state occupational therapy license;
5. Application essay;
6. Curriculum vita or resume;
7. Three letters of recommendation; and
8. A virtual interview with a graduate program faculty advisor/mentor.
9. Completion of the DrOT graduate application;
10. Application Fee

Degree Requirements

Required DrOT Courses and Capstone (30 Hours)

- OCCT 9205 - Advanced OT Models, Concepts, and Application (3)
- OCCT 9210 - Advanced Research in OT (3)
- OCCT 8705 - Seminar I (1)
- OCCT 9340 - Leadership & Advocacy in OT (3)
- OCCT 9345 - Evidence-based Practice & Innovation (3)
- OCCT 8710 - Seminar II (1)
- ONTL 6101 – Introduction to Online Teaching (3)
- ONTL 6201 – The Role of the Online Instructor (3)
- OCCT 8715 – Seminar III (1)
- OCCT 9992 - Applied Scholarship I (3)
- OCCT 9995 - Applied Scholarship II (3)
- OCCT 9999 - Capstone (3)
- OCCT 9997 - Directed Scholarship (If Needed) (3)

Accreditation

Governors State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and School.

This information is for reference only. For complete degree information, please refer to the current approved Governors State University catalog online at www.govst.edu/catalog