

Graduate courses and credit hours needed to complete the MOT program.

Research Methods in OT (3)
Client Factors I and II (6)
Research Project I, II, III (8)
Evaluation & Intervention III, IV (10)
Health Conditions III, IV (6)
Program Planning for Populations (2)
Management Principles (2)
Human Occupation III (3)
Level II Fieldwork-Rotation I and II (10)
Practice Specialization in OT (3)
Graduate Symposium (3)

The Occupational Therapy Program is fully accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) located at 4720 Montgomery Lane, P.O. Box 31220, Bethesda, MD 20824-1220. The AOTA telephone number is (301) 652-AOTA.

Graduates of the MOT program are eligible to sit for the national certification examination for occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification of Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, an individual becomes an Occupational Therapist, Registered (OTR/L). Most states, including Illinois, require licensure in order to practice and eligibility is usually based on the results of the NBCOT certification examination. A felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain a state license. A process for early determination of eligibility is available from NBCOT located at 800 South Frederick Ave., Suite 200, Gaithersburg, MD 20877-4150. The NBCOT telephone number is (301) 990-7979.

THE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1867 as a teacher training school, Chicago State University, the oldest public university in the Chicago metropolitan area, is a fully accredited multipurpose university.

ACADEMICS

The University offers undergraduate and graduate degree granting programs in four colleges—Health Sciences, Arts and Sciences, Business, and Education—as well as non-traditional and extension courses. The University operates on the semester system—two 15 week semesters (fall and spring) and summer sessions.

OUR FACULTY

The University has 300 full-time and 117 part-time faculty with, eighty-seven percent holding a doctorate or equivalent terminal degree. There is a faculty-student ratio of 1:19 and an average class size of 19.

OUR CAMPUS

A veritable forest in the midst of the city, the University campus is a beautiful natural environment set on 161 wooded acres.

ENROLLMENT

The University's culturally diverse student body is comprised of students from the Chicago metropolitan area, several states and foreign countries. The University's residence life and the activities of more than 50 student organizations offer a stimulating living-learning-service experience that nurtures personal development and individual success.

EXPANDED HORIZONS

Students benefit from internships and other beyond-the-classroom learning opportunities in metropolitan Chicago and around the world. These experiences expand career options and prepare our students for citizenship and leadership in a global community.

ADMISSIONS

Chicago State University welcomes applications from prospective freshman, transfer, international, non-traditional and professional students.



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Department of Occupational Therapy



**Combined
Bachelor in
Health Sciences
and
Master of
Occupational Therapy
Program**

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Occupational Therapy (OT) is a health profession providing service to individuals of all ages whose abilities to function physically, mentally, socially and cognitively have been impaired by injury, illness, aging, developmental problems or environmental factors. OT intervention enables an individual to maximize performance of skills required in daily living and in the pursuit of work and leisure time activities. The occupational therapist serves a broad population in a variety of settings such as hospitals, rehabilitation centers, long term care facilities, sheltered workshops, schools, homes and community agencies.

The mission of the Department of Occupational Therapy is to provide education designed to prepare competent and effective occupational therapists skilled at meeting the demands of diverse environments and rapidly changing service delivery systems. The program's purpose is to develop graduates that are compassionate and dedicated to implementing contextually relevant occupation based services that promote and enhance health, participation and quality of life for individuals and quality of life for individuals and populations.

ADMISSION

The Department of Occupational Therapy offers a combined Bachelor in Health Sciences/Master of Occupational Therapy degree (BS/MOT).

Students interested in occupational therapy without an earned bachelor's degree can pursue a combined BS/MOT degree. Students must apply to the university for undergraduate admission and complete all university qualifying examinations. Students may apply to the professional phase of the OT program after completing 93 semester hours of defined undergraduate credit and all OT program prerequisites.

If you have an earned bachelor's degree in another field, please see an advisor.

Students are required to have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale to be eligible for the professional phase of the BS/MOT program.

To be considered for admission into the MOT program the following information must be submitted directly to the Department of Occupational Therapy:

- A typed OT application.
- Essay on reasons for pursuing OT and how your human service experience has enhanced your interpersonal skills.
- Two recommendations on the prescribed form.
- Proof of over 40 hours of work or community service demonstrating human service skills. This experience is not limited to the field of occupational therapy.
- Interview with members of the occupational therapy admission committee.

The application deadline is **March 15**. The deadline maybe extended to June 30 only if admission slots are available.

PROGRAM OF STUDY BS/MOT

Pre-Professional Courses

The following courses are required of students before beginning the professional program:

- **English (6 hours)** Eng 127 and 128;
- **Math/Critical thinking (6 hours);** Math 162 and any college level math or Math 210 or critical thinking (Phil 221);
- **Humanities (18 hours);** a single foreign language- 6 hours and humanities electives – 12 hours;

Recommended Courses: Speech 203, English 209 or 228 or 279, and any manual Art course
- **Natural and Physical Sciences (16 hours);** Biology 108, Physiology 204, Zoology 250 and 261;
Physical Science 100 or 110 or Chemistry 155;
* Zoology and Physiology courses must be taken within five years of applying to the professional OT program;
- **Health Sciences Core (18 hours);** Medical Terminology HSC 104, Health Policy HSC 375, Intro. Health Professions HSC 150, Health Care Ethics HSC 250 or Phil 233 and Service Learning HSC 321;
health sciences electives- 4 hours;
- **Social Sciences (18 hours);** Anthropology or Sociology 101;
Psychology 141, 217 or 204, 336, 357;
social science electives- 3 hours;

Electives can be in Anthropology, Psychology, Sociology, History or Political Science.

All students **must** have a statistics course either as Math 210 or Psychology 357.

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- **Computer Science (3 hours)**
Computers 106 or HSC 215
- **Occupational Therapy (3 hours)**
Occupational Therapy 201
- **Electives (5 hours)**

Professional Phase

Fall Semester - Year 1

302/G	Foundation Principles in OT	3 hrs
345/G	Evaluation & Intervention I*	5 hrs
358/G	Human Occupation I	3 hrs
363/G	Health Conditions I	<u>3 hrs</u> 14 hrs

Spring Semester

364/G	Health Conditions II	3 hrs
305/G	Contexts of OT Service Delivery	2 hrs
346/G	Evaluation & Intervention II*	5 hrs
359/G	Human Occupation II	<u>3 hrs</u> 13 hrs

*Includes Level 1 Fieldwork-one day a week

Students who successfully complete 120 hours of the CSU Health Sciences curriculum will graduate with a Bachelor's in Health Sciences. A student cannot work in OT with a BS in Health Sciences. This is a pre-occupational therapy degree.

Students with a BS in Health Sciences from CSU are eligible for advanced standing in the Master of OT degree program. Advanced standing students may be given up to 27 hours of credit for foundational OT courses. In all professional courses, students must earn a grade of "C" or better. Students must meet the GPA requirement of 3.0 or better for the last 60 hours of credit for admissions into the graduate program to receive advanced standing.

Students with advanced standing will need to complete 56 credit hours of graduate OT courses in order to complete the Master of Occupational Therapy. The Master of OT is the entry-level degree required for certification as an occupational therapist.