

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 OT 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 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 freshmen, transfer, international, non-traditional and professional students.



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COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Department of Occupational Therapy



**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 Department of Occupational Therapy's mission 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 the critical societal needs in the areas of participation, well being and quality of life.

ADMISSION

The Department of Occupational Therapy offers an entry-level master degree in Occupational Therapy (MOT). **There are two options for students applying:**

- Students with an earned bachelor's degree in another field can apply directly for admission to the graduate college **and** the OT program. All OT program prerequisites must be successfully completed prior to beginning the occupational therapy program.
- A grade point average of 3.0 or better (on a 4.0 scale) for the final 60 semester credit hours is needed.
- Students interested in Occupational Therapy without an earned bachelor's degree can pursue a combined Bachelor in Health Sciences/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. See a department advisor for details.

Full time and part time options for study are available.

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

ADMISSION

OT Program Prerequisites:

The following courses are required of **all** students before beginning the MOT program:

- Anthropology or Sociology
- Developmental Psychology
- Abnormal Psychology
- Statistics
- Computer Science
- Human Anatomy *
- Human Physiology *
- Cadaver Lab (30 contact hours) *
- Introduction to OT

* These courses must be taken within five years of admission to the program. All courses must be successfully completed with a grade of "C" or better.

To be considered for admission the following supplemental information is submitted directly to the Department of Occupational Therapy:

- A formal, 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.

PROGRAM OF STUDY MOT

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

Summer Semester

405	Research Methods in OT	3 hrs
410	Client Factors I: Sensory Motor	<u>3 hrs</u>
		6 hrs

Fall Semester - Year 2

411	Client Factors II: Perception & Cognition	3 hrs
415	Research Project I	3 hrs
425	Evaluation & Intervention III *	5 hrs
435	Health Conditions III	<u>3 hrs</u>
		14 hrs

Spring Semester

416	Research Project II	3 hrs
426	Evaluation & Intervention IV*	5 hrs
436	Health Conditions IV	3 hrs
440	Program Planning for Populations	<u>2 hrs</u>
		13 hrs

Summer

445	Management Principles	2 hrs
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Fall Semester – Year 3

417	Research Project III	2 hrs
450	Human Occupation III	3 hrs
460	Level II Fieldwork – Rotation I	<u>5 hrs</u>
		10 hrs

Spring Semester

461	Level II Fieldwork – Rotation II	5 hrs
470	Practice Specialization in OT	3 hrs
495	Graduate Symposium	<u>3 hrs</u>
		11 hrs

Total 83 Credit hours

*Includes Level I Fieldwork