

College of Public Health and Human Sciences Pre- Occupational Therapy (OT) Guide

Prerequisites for OT programs, whether master's or doctoral* level, vary widely. The list below is composed of common prerequisites, but may not include the prerequisites required for all programs and may be more than needed. It is imperative that you research the schools to which you are interested in applying and confirm specific courses required for those particular programs.

Commonly Required Prerequisite	OSU Course(s)
Anatomy & Physiology	BI 231-233 + BI 241-243
Medical Terminology	PHAR 210
Psychology	PSY 201, 202, 330, 350, 381
Statistics	ST 201 or 351
Writing	WR 121 & 222
Humanities	2 courses from Art; Music (theory, not performance); Language; Philosophy; Religion
Social Sciences	2 courses from Sociology; Anthropology; Ethnic Studies; Psychology (beyond those required); cultural studies

Highly Recommended Additional Courses	OSU Course(s)
Biomechanics and/or Physics	KIN 321; PH 201
Communication	COMM 111-218 or equivalent
General Biology	100 or 200 level
Human Disease	H 320
3-Dimensional skill	examples: ceramics, sculpture, jewelry making, woodworking, sewing, crocheting, knitting, metal working (Not considered 3 dimensional: photography, painting, drawing, playing an instrument)

Minimum GPA for admission is 3.0

*In 2024, all master's level OT programs will become doctoral level programs