

OCCUPATIONAL SCIENCE, B.S. TO MASTER OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Student Handbook (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/bsos-handbook.pdf>)

Saint Louis University's occupational therapy program offers a Master of Occupational Therapy degree. The direct admit B.S. to M.O.T. is a five-year curriculum, including one summer. Students admitted as freshmen, as well as transfer students entering before the junior year, receive a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Science after successful completion of the first four years and then earn an M.O.T. degree after successful completion of the additional post-baccalaureate year. Students who receive a bachelor's degree and apply for the master's program will complete their M.O.T. degree in two years, including one summer.

Begin your journey toward SLU's Master of Occupational Therapy in one of three ways:

- Freshman-entry with direct-admit from B.S. to M.O.T. in a 3+2 graduate professional program
- Transfer from another program or university during undergraduate studies
- Graduate-entry after earning another undergraduate degree

For additional information, see the catalog entries for the following programs:

Occupational Science, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/occupational-science-therapy/occupational-science-bs/>)

Master of Occupational Therapy (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/occupational-science-therapy/master-occupational-therapy/>)

Learning Outcomes Bachelor of Science in Occupational Science

1. Graduates will be able to describe the occupational nature of humans as occupational beings across the lifespan.
2. Graduates will be able to analyze contextual influences on occupational engagement.
3. Graduates will be able to examine the relationship between health and occupation.
4. Graduates will interpret scholarly literature for application to health through occupation.

Master of Occupational Therapy

1. Occupation and Health: Graduates will capitalize on the health-promoting benefits of occupation in practice.
2. Justice: Graduates will advocate for occupational justice experienced by humans.

3. Reasoning: Graduates will make informed judgments through the use of professional reasoning.
4. Holism: Graduates will consider the person holistically, inclusive of their environments.
5. Professionalism: Graduates will be able to present themselves professionally through their conduct and their communication.

Requirements

Admission Requirements

Students interested in the Master of Occupational Therapy accelerated program should select the M.O.T. program when they apply to SLU as incoming freshmen. Students applying to transfer to SLU with previous college credit should also select the M.O.T. program when they apply.

Current SLU students from other majors can apply to the M.O.T. program by petition. A minimum of 2.90 GPA is required to be considered for admission to the accelerated program. Students should apply for admission to the M.O.T. accelerated program no later than the spring of their sophomore year to complete their bachelor's degree in four years.

Program Requirements

To progress through the program, the required GPA minimum for freshmen is 2.70, for sophomores is 2.80 and for juniors is 2.90. All students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all required program curriculum courses. Students who do not meet the GPA requirements will not be permitted to progress into the M.O.T. program.

Students in the M.O.T. accelerated program can take up to 30 credits at the graduate level that will count for both the B.S. in Occupational Science and the Master of Occupational Therapy. Students must have a 3.00 cumulative GPA at the end of the B.S. to progress into the M.O.T.

Roadmap

This roadmap is just one example of a semester-by-semester plan of study for this program. There are other plans students can and do take. The plan of study for each particular student is established in consultation with each student's academic advisor; *this roadmap does not replace academic advising appointments.*

Roadmap notes:

- This Roadmap assumes full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.
- Courses/Milestones marked with an "!" are critical and must be completed in the semester listed in the Roadmap to ensure a timely graduation.
- Course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
BIOL 1240	General Biology: Information Flow and Evolution	3
BIOL 1245	Principles of Biology I Laboratory	1
CORE 1500	Cura Personalis 1: Self in Community	1
CORE 1700	Ultimate Questions: Philosophy	3
ENGL 1900	Advanced Strategies of Rhetoric and Research	3
OCS 1000	Seminar in Occupational Therapy	2

PSY 1010	General Psychology	3	IPE 4900	Interprofessional Community Practicum (satisfies CORE 4000)	3
Credits			Credits		
16			15		
Spring					
ANAT 1000	Basic Human Anatomy	3	Year Four		
CORE 3400	Ways of Thinking: Aesthetics, History, and Culture	3	Summer		
HSCI 2500	Human Development across the Lifespan	3	MOT 5100	Functional Anatomy for Occupational Therapy	3
IPE 2100	Interprofessional Collaboration and Healthcare in Global Context	3	MOT 5150	Kinesiology	3
PUBH 2100	Introduction to Global Health	3	Credits		
Elective		3	6		
Credits			Fall		
18			MOT 5170	Neuroscience in Occupational Therapy	3
Year Two					
Fall					
CHEM 1080 & CHEM 1085	Principles of Chemistry 1 Lecture and Principles of Chemistry 1 Lab (satisfies CORE 3800)	4	MOT 5200	Health Conditions and Occupational Implications	3
OCS 1010	Exploration of Self Through Occupation (satisfies CORE 2500)	2	MOT 5300	Foundations of Occupational Therapy Practice	3
PSY 3460	Abnormal Psychology	3	MOT 5350	Theoretical Perspectives of Occupational Therapy	3
STAT 1300	Elementary Statistics with Computers (satisfies CORE 3200)	3	MOT 5370	Occupational Therapy Assessments Throughout the Lifespan	3
Credits			MOT 5610	Quantitative Research Methods in Occupational Therapy	2
12			MOT 5611	Occupational Therapy Graduate Research Project 1 (Optional)	1
Spring					
Participation in Study Abroad Optional					
CORE 1200	Eloquentia Perfecta 2: Oral and Visual Communication	3	Credits		
CORE 1600	Ultimate Questions: Theology	3	17-18		
CORE 2800	Eloquentia Perfecta 3: Creative Expression	2-3	Spring		
HSCI 2200	Medical Terminology	3	Bachelor of Occupational Science degree awarded upon completion of this semester		
PHIL 2050 or HCE 2010	Ethics or Foundations in Clinical Health Care Ethics	3	MOT 5030	Application of Occupational Therapy Practice	3
Credits			MOT 5250	Administration & Leadership in Occupational Therapy	3
14-15			MOT 5400	Occupational Therapy Practice with Adults 1	3
Year Three					
Fall					
CORE 3500	Cura Personalis 3: Self in the World	1	MOT 5410	Occupational Therapy Practice in Mental Health	3
PPY 2540	Human Physiology	4	MOT 5450	Occupational Therapy Practice with Children and Youth 1	3
OCS 3120	The Study of Occupation	3	MOT 5620	Qualitative Research Methods in Occupational Therapy	2
OCS 3220	Contexts of Occupation	3	MOT 5621	Occupational Therapy Graduate Research Project 2 (Optional)	1
IPE 4200	Applied Decision-Making in Interprofessional Practice	3	Credits		
HCE or PSY 3XXX/4XXX	Health Care Ethics or Psychology Elective	3	17-18		
Credits			Year Five		
17			Fall		
Spring					
OCS 3320	Occupational Development Across the Lifespan	3	MOT 5040	Application of Occupational Therapy Practice 2	3
OCS 3520	Occupation, Health, and Wellness	3	MOT 5550	Occupational Therapy Practice with Adults 2	3
OCS 3720	Occupational Justice	3	MOT 5560	Occupational Therapy Practice in the Community	3
OCS 3820	Practical Applications in Occupational Science	3	MOT 5570	Specialty Occupational Therapy Practice	2
			MOT 5580	Emerging and Focused Practice in Occupational Therapy	3
			MOT 5600	Occupational Therapy Practice with Children and Youth 2	3

MOT 5631	Occupational Therapy Graduate Research Project 3 (Optional)	1
Credits		17-18
Spring		
MOT 5700	Advanced Fieldwork I	6
MOT 5750	Advanced Fieldwork II	3
MOT 5641	Occupational Therapy Graduate Research Project 4 (Optional)	1
Credits		9-10
Total Credits		158-163

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