Occupational Therapy Accelerated Entry Admission Requirements

Occupational Therapy offers an entry pathway for candidates through an Accelerated Entry. A student may earn the occupational therapy doctorate only after a period of study such that the total time to degree—including both pre-professional and professional preparation at least the equivalent of six (6) full-time academic years.

First-time/Full-time Freshman (High School Seniors):

- ACT ≥23 and a math subscore ≥23 or SAT equivalent.
- High school cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above on 4.0 scale.
- Participation in high school extra- and co-curricular activities, service and volunteer hours, and/or clinical experiences.
- Ability to comply with Accelerated Pathway progression benchmarks.

Transfer Students:

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above on 4.0 scale.
- Minimum prerequisite course GPA 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale.
- A grade of C or better on all courses is required.
- Participation in high school extra- and co-curricular activities, service and volunteer hours, and/or clinical experiences.
- Ability to comply with Accelerated Pathway progression benchmarks.

Accelerated Pathway Admissions Decisions

Accelerated Pathway decisions are made by the OTD Admissions Committee and will be made based on the following:

- Past academic performance (GPA and completed courses).
- Documented academic aptitude (ACT/SAT or collegiate GPA if more than 12 credit hours of collegiate work has been completed).
- Leadership and service activities.
- Medical and/or clinical experiences (shadowing, volunteering, etc).
- Recommendations from qualified individuals with knowledge of the applicant's character and performance.
- Communication and interpersonal skills (via essay, interview and review of letters of reference).

Application Process

- Apply online
- Submit official high school and college transcripts.
- Submit names, phone numbers and email addresses of three references.
- Submit letter of intent: includes leadership and service activities (attach to electronic application).
- Review of application and materials by the OTD Admissions Committee.
- If selected, participate in an on-campus Match Day with the OTD Admissions Committee.
- Acceptance decision by the OTD Admissions Committee following a complete application and Match Day.

Application Deadline

Complete files are prepared for review by the OTD Admissions Committee and students will be notified of their interview status.