# POST-BACCALAUREATE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DOCTORATE

## Professional Phase (84-86 Credits)
Program courses are only offered in the semester shown. All courses must be taken in sequence.

### Spring of Graduate Year 1 – 15 credits
- HLTS-503 Neuroscience (4 cr.)
- OCCT-535 Occupational Performance Evaluation (3 cr.)
- OCCT-537 Human Motion and Movement (4 cr.)
- OCCT-548 Medical Conditions in OT (4 cr.)

### Summer of Graduate Year 1 – 9 credits
- OCCT-518 Humans, Groups & Occupations (3 cr.)
- OCCT-541W Evidence Based Practice (3 cr.)
- OCCT-545 Occupational Performance Perspectives (3 cr.)

### Fall of Graduate Year 1 – 16/17 Credits
- OCCT-511W Clinical Reasoning & Fieldwork IA (3 cr.)
- OCCT-533 Principles of Research Seminar (3 cr.)
- OCCT-610W Research Project I (Prospectus) (1 cr., optional)

### Spring of Graduate Year II – 16/17 Credits
- OCCT-512W Clinical Reasoning & Fieldwork IC (3 cr.)
- OCCT-520 Neurological & Sensorimotor Function II (4 cr.)
- OCCT-525 Psychosocial Function & Fieldwork IB (4 cr.)
- OCCT-532 Qualitative Research (2 cr.)
- OCCT-550 Environmental Adapt & Rehab Technology (3 cr.)
- OCCT-611W Research Project II (Engagement) (1 cr., optional)

### Summer of Graduate Year II – 13 Credits
- OCCT-519 Neurological & Sensorimotor Function (4 cr.)
- OCCT-560 Sociocultural Systems & Networks (2 cr.)

### Advanced Practitioner Phase (31 Credits)
Doctoral courses are mostly offered on-line in the semester shown.

### Spring of Doctoral Year – 9 Credits
- OCCT-552L Clinical Seminar A Lab (0 cr.)
- OCCT-562L Leadership A Lab (0 cr.)
- OCCT-620 Applying Evidence to Practice (3 cr.)
- OCCT-625 Designing Effective Programs (3 cr.)
- OCCT-630 Visionary Leadership in Practice and Education (2 cr.)
- OCCT-635 Practice Scholar Capstone Project I (1 cr.)

### Summer of Doctoral Year – 13 Credits
- OCCT-640 Doctoral Capstone Experience (12 cr.)
- OCCT-645 Practice Scholar Capstone Project II (1 cr.)

### Fall of Doctoral Year – 9 Credits
- OCCT-650 Instructional Learning Theory & Technology (3 cr.)
- OCCT-670 Critical Analysis of Practice (3 cr.)
- OCCT-660 Transformative Leadership (2 cr.)
- OCCT-655 Practice Scholar Project III (1 cr.)

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Fieldwork – students must complete Level II Fieldwork within 24 months after their didactic course work is completed. This six month 40 hour per week fieldwork experience is approximately late June through December.

3 credit elective research sequence will substitute for OCCT 574W.
Prior to entering the program, the required prerequisite courses and other requirements listed below must be met.

**Required Prerequisite Courses** (Prior to entering the program. These courses do not count toward your degree)

***Biological/Physical Sciences***
- Required coursework – 18 credits
  - Anatomy/lab – must include cadaver lab (6 cr)*
  - Physiology (3 cr.)
  - Physics (3 cr.)
  - Other (6 cr.)

***Social Sciences***
- Required coursework – 12 credits
  - Psychology (3 cr.)
  - Human Development (3 cr.)
  - Sociology (3 cr.)
  - Ethics (3 cr.)

**Other required coursework**
- Statistics (3 cr.)
- Medical Terminology or the proficiency requirement** (3 cr.)
- Occupational Therapy Overview*** (0-3 cr.)

*Anatomy and Physiology course must be completed at a 4-year college or university.

**Students must be proficient in the content. A variety of options are available. Contact the department for procedures.

***Depending on eligibility, the course may be offered through a self-study option. Students will need 3 months to complete the work. Otherwise, student must complete this course work in the fall semester prior to the spring start term.

**Other requirements**

1. Successful completion of pre-requisites with a 3.0 cumulative Q.P.A.
2. Documentation of current AHA Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers Certification.
3. Documentation of a minimum of 40 shadowing hours working directly with a registered and licensed occupational therapist.
4. Completion of physical examination and other pre-clinical health requirements.
5. Students whose first language is not English must meet published language proficiency requirement for entry into graduate programs.
6. Departmental approval.

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Our occupational therapy programs have consistently received accreditation for the maximum time periods. Information regarding the accreditation of this program can be obtained through the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education, 4720 Montgomery Lane, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20814-3449. [www.acoteonline.org](http://www.acoteonline.org)

Graduates of this program will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be an Occupational Therapist, Registered (OTR). In addition, most states require licensure in order to practice, however, most states are 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 state licensure.