

Pre-Occupational Therapy Courses at UMKC

The following courses are commonly required and/or recommended for entry into occupational therapy programs. Familiarize yourself with the requirements of programs of interest to you to ensure you are taking the proper courses to meet their entry requirements.

Required Courses (to be completed one year prior to entering OT program)

Math 110	College Algebra	3 hrs
Stat 235	General Statistics	3 hrs
English 110	English Composition I	3 hrs
English 225	English Composition II	3 hrs
Com S 110	Public Speaking	3 hrs
Phil 321	Introductory Ethics	3 hrs
Psych 210	General Psychology	3 hrs
Psych 433	Abnormal Psychology	3 hrs
Soc 101	Introductory Sociology	3 hrs
Soc 211	Social & Psych Development	3 hrs
Biol 108	General Biology I	3 hrs
Biol 108L	General Biology I Lab	1 hr
LS Anat 118	Human Anatomy	3 hrs
LS Anat 118L	Human Anatomy Lab	2 hrs
LS Phys 117	Human Physiology	3 hrs
LS Phys 117L	Human Physiology Lab	1 hr
Chem 211	General Chemistry I	4 hrs
Chem 211L	General Chemistry I Lab	1 hr
Physics 210	General Physics I (includes lab)	4 hrs
Total hours of Pre-OT coursework:		52 hrs

Recommended Courses

Com S 377	Interpersonal Communication	3 hrs
CS 100	Computer Survival	3 hrs
Diversity or Humanity Elective		3 hrs
Medical Terminology		3 hrs
First Aid / CPR Certification		

★Students are encouraged to take electives in social/behavioral science and medical humanities.

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In addition to the aforementioned pre-requisite courses, you should also:

- Volunteer and job shadow in a variety of occupational therapy settings throughout your college career (i.e. hospitals, clinics, rehabilitation centers, schools, etc.)
- Actively involve yourself with activities demonstrating your social conscience, compassion, and personal character
- Show leadership ability through collegiate or community activities
- Possess ability to communicate with a variety of people in a variety of ways (i.e. written, verbal, non-verbal, technological, etc.)
- Demonstrate your ability to effectively manage time

OT programs in Missouri and Kansas:

- University of Missouri-Columbia (Master's)-Columbia, MO
- Rockhurst University (Master's)-Kansas City, MO
- University of Kansas (Combined Bacc/Master's)-Kansas City, KS
- Maryville University (Master's)-St. Louis, MO
- Saint Louis University (Master's and combined Bacc/Master's)-St. Louis, MO
- Washington University (Master's and Doctoral)-St. Louis, MO

The following resources will be of assistance to you in exploring OT programs:

The American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) Homepage:
www.aota.org

AOTA's Homepage for Students:
<http://www.aota.org/featured/area2/index.asp>

List of Accredited OT Programs:
<http://www.aota.org/nonmembers/area13/links/LINK28.asp>