

PRE-OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

PRE-PROFESSIONAL ADVISING CENTER



PRE-OT ADVISING



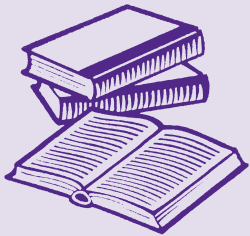
Pre-OT students have at least two academic advisors- an academic major advisor and a pre-professional advisor.

The major advisor's primary goal is to help students understand what they must do to complete the requirements of their major (bachelor's degree).

The pre-professional advisor's primary goal is to help students understand what they must do to become competitive applicants to Occupational Therapy professional schools.

Information on Majors

Students interested in a career in occupational therapy will select one of the 250 majors offered at K-State and declare their pre-OT designation.



While a particular major is not required for application to Occupational Therapy programs, the most common majors are:

- **Biology, Human Development and Family Science, Integrative Physiology, Kinesiology, Life Sciences, Nutrition and Health, Psychology**

PREREQUISITE COURSES

		<u>HOURS</u>
ENGL 100	EXPOSITORY WRITING I	3
ENGL 200	EXPOSITORY WRITING II	3
CLSCS 105	MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY: LATIN & GREEK FOR SCIENTISTS	2
BIOL 198	PRINCIPLES OF BIOLOGY	4
BIOL 441	HUMAN BODY I	4
BIOL 442	HUMAN BODY II	4
OR		
KIN 360	ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY	8
PHYS 101	THE PHYSICAL WORLD	3
PHYS 103	THE PHYSICAL WORLD LAB	1
OR		
PHYS 113	PHYSICS I	4
PSYCH 110	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY*	3
PSYCH 505	INTRO TO PSYCHOPATHOLOGY	3
PSYCH 520	LIFESPAN PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT	3
OR		
HDFS 110	INTRO TO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	3
SOCIO 211	INTRO TO SOCIOLOGY	3
PHILO 130	MORAL PHILOSOPHY	3
OR		
PHILO 365	MEDICAL ETHICS	3
STAT 225	INTRO TO STATISTICS	3

OCCASIONALLY REQUIRED COURSES

PSYCH 470	PRINCIPLES OF NEUROSCIENCE	3
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- Requirements at individual PT schools vary, visit with your health professions advisor for details
- We highly recommend that all pre-requisite courses be taken for a grade
- Some schools require pre-requisite courses to be completed at the undergraduate level
- For information about honors courses please visit: <https://www.k-state.edu/ksuhonors/courses/>

COMMON OT SCHOOLS K-STATE STUDENTS APPLY TO



University of Kansas
Rockhurst University
Creighton University
University of Saint Mary
University of Missouri



SOURCE: KSU COLLEGE-TO-CAREER STATISTICS

ADVICE FOR PRE-OT STUDENTS

- Take the highest level courses available to you, particularly in math and science
- Study to learn, not to memorize; work to develop critical thinking skills and effective study habits.
- Learn about your desired health career through shadowing, seeking out a job that is relevant to your desired pre-health profession, or research the profession thoroughly online.
- Volunteer and serve your community.
- Broaden your knowledge to develop an appreciation for different ways of thinking and living through reading or interacting with those who have different backgrounds, socioeconomic status or lifestyles.

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

The Pre-Occupational Therapy Club provides an opportunity to meet other pre-occupational therapy students and become involved both professionally and socially. The club holds regular meetings that feature guest speakers from professional schools, community service agencies and providers.

Pre-Health Ambassadors promote pride in and develop awareness of options within pre-health among prospective students, parents, alumni and the general public. The Pre-Health Ambassadors are a group of undergraduate students who volunteer their time and talents at special K-State events.

Alpha Epsilon Delta is the National Health Preprofessional Honor Society and welcomes all students engaged in the pursuit of a pre-health professional development, provides a forum for students with common interests, and extends a program of service to benefit the college/university community.

HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SCHOOL

Students must earn a bachelor's degree prior to admission to occupational therapy (OT) school.

In addition to earning a bachelor's degree, students must complete the courses required by the OT schools to which they plan to apply.

Requirements at individual OT schools vary. Some schools may require an interview as part of the application process.

Some schools require completion of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE).

Most OT programs take 3 years to complete.

Students who complete occupational therapy school will receive a Doctor of Occupational Therapy degree.



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