



**HARDING**  
UNIVERSITY  
MASTER OF SCIENCE  
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

### **Complete Your Application**

Complete the online Occupational Therapy Central Application System (OTCAS). The application cycle for OTCAS is from mid-July to March 6th annually. A priority deadline is the Third Friday of October annually to ensure the application is reviewed.

- Submit official transcripts from each college or university to OTCAS.
- Submit three letters of recommendation: 1) Provided by an occupational therapist or another qualified allied health professional. /2) Provided by a professional who has observed the applicant's work/academic performance/3) Provided by a spiritual mentor or other mentor who has observed the applicant's character.
- Complete the personal statement in OTCAS.
- Complete the supplemental questions in OTCAS

### **Complete prerequisite Coursework**

Complete the following prerequisite courses prior to start of the summer admission term with a minimum grade of a "C."

Prerequisite courses must be taken within 7 years of application.

- Sociology or Anthropology (3 hours)
- Abnormal Psychology/Psychopathology (3 hours)
- Lifespan Development/Developmental Psychology (3 hours)
- Statistics (3 hours)
- Anatomy (4 hours and must include a lab component)
- Physiology (4 hours and must include a lab component)
- Medical Terminology (1 to 3 hours or a certificate completion)

### **Complete Your degree**

Complete a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university prior to the start of the summer admission term.

Harding University Occupational Therapy does not have a minimum cumulative or prerequisite GPA but strongly recommends a minimum GPA of 3.0. These standards reflect a greater opportunity for success with the curriculum and national board examination.

### **Admissions process**

Applicants are reviewed through a rolling admissions process. However it is recommended that applicants submit their applications as early as possible.

### **Accreditation**

The Harding University entry-level Master of Science in Occupational Therapy has been granted CANDIDACY Status by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy (ACOTE) at [www.acoteonline.org](http://www.acoteonline.org), located at 7501 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 510E, Bethesda, MD 20814. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA and its web address is [www.acoteonline.org](http://www.acoteonline.org).

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**Harding University Occupational Therapy Program  
Prerequisite Equivalency for Harding University Courses**

Prerequisite	Harding Courses
Anthropology/Sociology (3 hours)	<a href="#">ANTH 2500 -Anthropology</a> <a href="#">BMIS 3080 -Missionary Anthropology</a> <a href="#">SOC 2030 -General Sociology</a>
Statistics (3 hours)	<a href="#">BIOL 2500 -Biostatistics</a> <a href="#">PSY 3350 Statistics</a> <a href="#">MATH 1200 -Elementary Statistics</a>
Abnormal Psychology (3 hours)	<a href="#">PSY 3820 -Psychopathology</a>
Lifespan Development (3 hours)	<a href="#">PSY 2400 -Developmental Psychology</a>
Anatomy and Physiology I (4 hours)	<a href="#">BIOL 3200/3200L -Anatomy and Physiology I</a> <a href="#">BIOL 2400/2400L -Anatomy and Physiology I for Nurses</a>
Anatomy and Physiology II (4 hours)	<a href="#">BIOL 3210/3210L -Anatomy and Physiology II</a> <a href="#">BIOL 2405/2405L -Anatomy and Physiology II for Nurses</a>
Medical Terminology (1 hour)	<a href="#">FCS 3300 -Medical Terminology</a>

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