

# OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DOCTORATE (O.T.D.)

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The goal of the Occupational Therapy Doctorate (O.T.D.) program is to educate individuals to become occupational therapy health care professionals. It is designed as a 3-year program. Students must complete a bachelor's degree program prior to admission. Upon completion of the O.T.D. degree, students are eligible to sit for the national certification and examination procedures of the National Board of Certification in Occupational Therapy. A state License to practice is required after successful completion of the NBCOT certification examination.

**Admission:** Applicants must meet the admission standards of the Graduate School (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/admission/>). Please contact the Occupational Therapy Program for further information.

**Professional Program Admission:** Applicants must apply for admission to the professional program, using the Occupational Therapy Centralized Application Service (OTCAS) Application (<https://portal.otcas.org/>), and be formally admitted at the graduate level. All applicants must hold a minimum grade point average of 3.0 or above for the professional program.

The O.T.D. program requires 103 credits, all of which are taken within the O.T.D. program. The credits are divided as follows: 83 credits comprise the core courses on foundational knowledge and hands-on preparation for clinical practice. Twelve credit hours is for Level II (6 months) where students hone their therapeutic skills in clinical settings. Eight hours is for the Capstone Experiential, the final component of the program (14 weeks) when students design and implement a doctoral level project in the community or clinic.

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