



Occupational Therapy Master's

Admission to the Masters program in Occupational Therapy is based on presentation of credit for two academic years of prerequisites earned at an accredited college or university, or a Bachelors degree in another field plus the required science prerequisites. A minimum 3.0 GPA, recommendations, volunteer/observation hours are required. The master's occupational therapy program begins in the summer quarter or the second week in June.

Entry Level (option 1)

In the first year of the occupational therapy program, emphasis is on basic knowledge of neuropsychological and psychosocial growth, pathology of disease and injury, and disorders affecting human performance. The second year concentrates on case management, administration and fieldwork experience. The third year involves research and program planning for community-centered health-care services. Classroom instruction is integrated with supervised fieldwork practice at approved community hospitals and clinics.

For fieldwork experience, students are required to complete two 12-week fieldwork experiences at approved hospitals and community health-care programs. This requirement is part of Loma Linda University's 33-month MOT track. Students are responsible for their own transportation to those facilities not within walking distance from the University.

At the completion of the program, the student graduates with a Bachelor of Science in Health Science, and a Master's of Occupational Therapy, and is eligible to take the certification examination for the Occupational Therapist, Registered.

"Prospective students do not have to start out at the Assistant level to possess a previous bachelor's degree to apply to our Master's Occupational Therapy program."

Master's Only (option 2)

Students, who already possess a bachelor's degree in another field besides Occupational Therapy, can pursue their Masters in Occupational Therapy with completion of four science prerequisites and proof of a bachelor's degree from an accredited college. The required prerequisites for this option are: **Anatomy and Physiology with labs, (2 semesters or quarters), select one additional science course from chemistry, physics, or physical science.** MOT-only students follow the same 33-month entry-level program curriculum however; there are a few courses that the student is not required to take. At the completion of the program, the student graduates with a Master's of Occupational Therapy only and is eligible to take the certification examination for the Occupational Therapist, Registered. The 33-month MOT track includes the fieldwork clinical time required for certification eligibility.

"Prospective students who already have a bachelor's degree and are looking for a career change can transition into the career by obtaining a Master's in Occupational Therapy in three years."

Tuition

ESTIMATED TUITION

Tuition information is estimated based on the current tuition for the 2007-2008 school year. These figures are subject to change.

MOT, 1st Year (\$408/unit)
Total tuition: \$27,744 (68 credit units)
Block tuition: \$ 6,936 per qtr., Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring
School Fees: \$1,900
Books, memberships, labs: \$2000 approximate

MOT Track Only, 1st Year
Total tuition: \$26,112 (64 credit units)
Block tuition: \$ 6,528 per qtr., Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring
School Fees: \$1,900
Books, memberships, labs: \$2000 approximate

MOT, 2nd Year
Total tuition: \$19,176 (53 credit units)
Block tuition: \$ 4,794 per qtr., Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring
School Fees: \$1,900
Books, memberships, labs: \$900 approximate

MOT Track Only, 2nd Year
Total tuition: \$18,360 (51 credit units)
Block tuition: \$ 4,590 per qtr., Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring
School Fees: \$1,900
Books, memberships, labs: \$900 approximate

MOT, 3rd Year
Total tuition: \$12,240 (36 credit units)
Block tuition: \$ 4,080 per qtr., Summer, Fall, Winter
School Fees: \$1,425
Books, memberships: \$400 approximate

Entry-level Master's

Prerequisites for Admission For entry to 2008-2009 school year

To be eligible for admission, the applicant must have completed a minimum of 96 quarter units (64 semester units) at an accredited college or university. The following prerequisites are required and must be completed successfully with a grade of C or better. Upon successful completion of didactic and fieldwork requirements, students will graduate from LLU with a Bachelor's degree in Health Science and a Masters in Occupational Therapy. Students are then eligible to take the NBCOT's National OT board exam.

Completed	Need	Prerequisites: Domain 1: Spiritual and Cultural Heritage
		Religious studies, 4 quarter units per year of full-time study. (Applies only to students attending Seventh-day Adventist colleges.)
		Minimum 20 quarter units, or 14 semester units. Choose from 3 subject areas: fine arts, history, civilization, literature, modern language, or philosophy. English as a second language may not be included. A maximum of 4 quarter units will be accepted in applied art or applied music.

Completed	Need	Prerequisites: Domain 2: Scientific Inquiry and Analysis: Natural Sciences
		Human Anatomy with lab Human Physiology with lab 2 semesters or quarters of A&P are required.
		Select one additional science course from chemistry, physics, or physical science.
		Mathematics: Two years of HS mathematics or equivalent. Accepted courses include algebra I&II, geometry, with grades of C or better. (These credits do not transfer although they meet the math requirement.)
Completed	Need	Social Sciences:
		Sociology.
		General Psychology.
		Human Growth & Development. (Other acceptable equivalents are Developmental Psychology, Life Cycle, or Child Psychology and Adolescent Psychology.)

Completed	Need	Prerequisites: Domain 3: Communication
		English Composition, Complete Sequence
		Speech
Completed	Need	Domain 4:
		Health education (personal health or nutrition).
		Two physical activities courses.

Completed	Need	Electives:
		Minimum requirement for entry is 96 quarter units, or 64 semester units. Computer knowledge in the following areas are required: creating college level papers and assignments, internet-based research, email usage, power-point presentations, on-line learning components.
Completed	Need	Observation/Volunteer Service
		40 hours of observation in occupational therapy settings. Documentation of community service performed is permissible as partial fulfillment of this requirement. Documentation of observation and/or community service must be submitted prior to admission consideration.
		CPR- Infant, child, and adult. BLS Health care provider. We only accept CPR from American Heart Association.

A minimum grade of C is required for transfer credit. C- and D grades are not transferable. GPAs are based on prerequisite courses required and the better grade is used if you have repeated a course.

MASTER'S-ONLY TRACK

Prerequisites for Admission For entry to 2008-2009 school year

The Masters-only track, is for individuals who have already completed a B.A. or B.S.(bachelors) in another field. Students entering with a previous B.A. or B.S. will receive the Masters of Occupational Therapy degree **only** from LLU, upon completion of all didactic and fieldwork requirements. Students are then eligible to sit for the NBCOT national certification exam for OT. The prerequisites for admission include:

Completed	Need	Prerequisites
		Proof of completion of B.A. or B.S. degree in another field from an accredited college or University.
		Human Anatomy with lab
		Human Physiology, with lab
		Select one additional science from chemistry, physics, or physical science
		Computer proficiency to successfully complete course requirements at the Masters level. Computer knowledge in the following areas are required: creating college level papers and assignments, internet-based research, email usage, power-point presentations, on-line learning components.

Completed	Need	Observation/Volunteer Experience:
		40 hours of observation in occupational therapy settings. Documentation of community service performed is permissible as partial fulfillment of this requirement. Documentation of observation and/or community service must be submitted prior to admission consideration.
		CPR – Infant, child, and adult. BLS health care provider. We only accept CPR from American Heart Association.

For the MOT Track-only, prerequisites may be waived at the discretion of the faculty.

This program is on a 33-month track.

The NBCOT Certification Exam is taken after the third year of study.

***MOT Track only students who hold a previous Bachelors degree are not required to take religion during the first two years (except for Christian Ethics and Health Care) and therefore have four units less tuition in Year 1.**

PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

YEAR ONE

		QUARTER UNITS
OCTH 301	Introduction to Occupational Therapy	2
OCTH 305	Introduction to Terminology for OT Practice	2
OCTH 306	Group Dynamics & Intervention	2
OCTH 309	Human Occupation Across the Lifespan	5
OCTH 314	Task Analysis	2
OCTH 315	Therapeutic Media	2
OCTH 316	Design and Technology	2
OCTH 317-318	Occupational Therapy Practicum I, II	2,2
OCTH 321	Intervention Techniques & Strategies I	2
OCTH 331	Functional Kinesiology	3
OCTH 341	Neuroscience	3
OCTH 451-452	Disorders of Human Performance I, II	5,5
OCTH 442	Case Analysis, Reasoning, & Management I	2
AHCJ 305	Infectious Diseases and the Health Professional	1
AHCJ 471	Statistics & Research for Health Professions I	3
AHCJ 402-403	Pathology I, II	4,3
AHCJ 404	Pharmacology	1
AHCJ 412	Anatomy	9
	Religion	<u>2,2,2</u>
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YEAR TWO

OCTH 417-418	Occupational Therapy Practicum III, IV	2,2
OCTH 431	Intervention Techniques & Strategies II	3
OCTH 443, 455	Case Analysis, Reasoning & Management II, III	2,3
OCTH 435	Upper Extremity Rehabilitation & Splinting	3
OCTH 453	Disorders of Human Performance III	4
OCTH 491	Fieldwork Experience I	12
OCTH 563	Professional Competency Dev I	1
OCTH 456	Community Practice	2
OCTH 526	Business Topics in Health Care	2
OCTH 541	Current Trends in Occupational Therapy Practice I	3
OCTH 544	Advanced Occupational Therapy History	3
OCTH 561	Program Development/Design I	3
OCTH 571	Research I	3
AHCJ 472	Statistics & Research for Health Professions II	3
	Religion	<u>2</u>
		53

YEAR THREE

OCTH 564-565	Professional Competency Dev II, III	1,1
OCTH 542	Current Trends in Occupational Therapy Practice II	3
OCTH 551	Theoretical Perspectives in OT Practice	3
OCTH 552	Graduate Seminar	3
OCTH 562	Program Development/Design II	3
OCTH 572-573	Research II, III	2,2
OCTH 591	Fieldwork Experience II	12
RELR 536	Spirituality and Everyday Life	3
	Graduate elective	<u>3</u>
		36



A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required for all major courses in the master's program. The program of instruction is full time for each quarter. Academic credit of less than twelve units per quarter does not indicate less than full-time work.

Check the department website for complete course listings.

To apply to our Occupational Therapy Programs

Log onto:

<http://www.llu.edu/apply/>

and complete the online application

Application Deadlines:

MOT Program- September 1st- March 1st before June start date
After March 1st - check with the department for availability.

(March 1st is the yearly deadline for Student Financial Aid) Be sure to apply for Aid even if you are not officially accepted. It is better to have aid lined up then not.

We typically will extend deadlines depending on applicant pool size, number of accepted students from year to year. We send students admission decisions on demand, once the completed application materials have all been received and the materials have been reviewed and decisions have been made by our faculty.