

Prerequisite info

All courses must be completed with a grade of B or higher and will be verified as part of the application review process. The OTCAS application will have a space available for applicants to upload supporting documents, so applicants may choose to maintain a copy of course syllabi to upload into the OTCAS system to demonstrate that courses they take fulfill the prerequisite requirements.

Course	Expectations	Department Teaching Course	Cautions	Why do we require this?
Anatomy and Physiology (1 lecture/lab course in Human Anatomy and 1 course lecture in Human Physiology with a lab course if offered – 2 lecture and lab courses in combined Anatomy and Physiology are acceptable)	If the college or university offers the course for healthcare professionals or science majors, the applicants must take the version of the course that best fits a pre-OT pathway Courses must be taken within 5 years of program start date	Biology, Anatomy, Physiology, or Zoology	If the applicant takes combined anatomy and physiology courses, the applicant must take both halves of these courses to fulfil the requirement Students are strongly discouraged from taking online versions of courses and labs	Students need an in-depth understanding of human anatomy and physiology to be prepared for the advanced study of anatomy, kinesiology, and neuroscience and application of these sciences in the MOT Program.
Statistics (1 lecture course)	Research methods courses are not accepted Tests and measures courses are not accepted	Math or Statistics	Students are strongly encouraged to take a college-level course focused on practicing using inferential methods to conduct data analysis (for example, paired and 2-sample t-tests,	Students need a foundation knowledge of how to conduct statistical analysis so they are prepared to critically appraise research literature and apply it to inform practice decisions.

			inference for regression, and chi-squared tests)	
Human Development (1 lecture course)	Lifespan development courses are preferred but a course covering a single time period (ex: Child Development) will be accepted	Psychology or Human Development	Students are strongly encouraged to take a course that covers the entire lifespan, or multiple courses to ensure understanding of the lifespan	Students need an understanding of human development throughout the lifespan as a preparation to learning evaluation and intervention principles for a variety of clients.
Abnormal Psychology (1 lecture course)	Courses titled "Abnormal Psychology" or "Psychopathology" are acceptable	Psychology		Students need an understanding of a variety of psychological conditions as a preparation to learning evaluation and intervention principles for a variety of clients.
Sociology OR Cultural Anthropology (1 lecture course)	Anthropology course focus must be cultural	Sociology or Anthropology	Anthropology courses focusing on archeology or other branches of anthropology will not be accepted	Students need to understand past and present sociocultural influences to effectively work with a variety of clients.
Medical Terminology (1 lecture course)	A college or university course titled "Medical Terminology"		Starting with the Jan 2027 application cycle, a certificate course will NOT be accepted	Students need foundational knowledge in medical terminology to effectively understand advanced anatomy,

				kinesiology, neuroscience, and other clinical terms encountered in the program.
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