

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS: OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Description: Occupational Therapists (commonly called "OTs") help people to regain or learn daily living, leisure/play, and work skills. Each day is made up of tasks from getting dressed to eating to driving. For most of us, these tasks require no thought they are just simply things we do in order to go about living. However, many people have difficulty with these tasks either because of developmental disabilities, accidents, or illness. OTs work with these individuals to help them improve their quality of life and independence.

Program Length: 27 Months (including summers)

Admission Requirements:

- **Important! Check with the occupational therapy program of your choice regarding specific prerequisites as some have different requirements than those listed.**
- Undergraduate degree (no specific major is required)
- Minimum 3.0 overall GPA and on prerequisite courses
- With no grade less than a "C"
- Graduate Record Exam (GRE) score (1000 or better is competitive)
- Complete Graduate School application package
- Volunteer experience not required but strongly encouraged

<u>Pre-requisite Courses</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>ECU Equivalent</u>
Human Anatomy and Physiology with labs	8	BIOL 2140, 2141/BIOL 2150, 2151
Statistics	3	BIOS 1500, MATH 2228, 2283, or PSYC 2101
Developmental Psychology	3	PSYC 3206
Abnormal Psychology	3	PSYC 4375
Intro to Sociology OR Anthropology	3	SOCI 2110, ANTH 1000, or ANTH 2200
Reasoning course such as: Logic, philosophy, or ethics	3	PHIL 1110, 1175, 1180, 1500, or 2275
Intro to Occupational Therapy	3	OCCT 3000
Medical Terminology	2	HIMA 3000 or ATEP 2800

Program Statistics at ECU

Application deadline: March 31
Accepted students: 20 per year
Applications received: 80 per year
Average GPA of accepted students: 3.4
Average GRE of accepted students: 1100

Online Resources

ECU Occupational Therapy www.ecu.edu/ot
American Occupational Therapy Association: www.aota.org
American Occupational Therapy Foundation: www.aotf.org