

# PRE-OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

## Creighton Doctor of Occupational Therapy Prerequisites

### Prerequisite Coursework:

Entrance into the Doctorate in Occupational Therapy program at Creighton requires a minimum of 60 semester hours of prerequisite courses. Prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of C or better (a C- grade is **not** acceptable). All prerequisite coursework must be completed by August 1 of the desired year of entry.

Theology, Philosophy and/or Ethics 3  
(such as Magis Core Foundations  
THL or PHL)

Culture, Ideas and/or Civilizations 3  
(includes history, world religions,  
American studies, world literature,  
or women's studies)

Human Anatomy (EXS 331, 3-4  
EXS 111, or PHA 310; for other  
options ask the School of Pharmacy  
& Health Professions Admissions  
Office)

English Composition (ENG 150) 3

Statistics (MTH 360, MTH 361, 3  
EXS 407, HAP 314, PSY 315,  
BIO 311)

Psychology (PSY 201 and either 6  
PSY 271, PSY 510, PSY 341,  
PSY 342, or PSY 351)

Medical Terminology (OTD 215) 1

Electives (Creighton undergraduate 38  
students must complete 6 hours of  
Theology among the elective hours.  
The Theology courses taken to fulfill  
these 6 hours cannot also apply  
towards the "Theology, Philosophy,  
and Ethics" requirement.)

### Selection of Applicants

Fulfillment of basic requirements does not guarantee an interview or admission. Admission is based on academic and personal qualifications considered necessary for successful, competent practice as an occupational therapist. Grade point average, work experiences, honors, awards, service to others, knowledge of the OT profession, and leadership activities are considered in the overall evaluation of the applicant's suitability for the program. Candidates are also evaluated based on the fit between their personal goals and the mission and objectives of the OTD program.

### Application Requirements

To apply, students must submit an online application through OTCAS (<https://portal.otcas.org/>), the Occupational Therapy Centralized

Application Service. As part of the OTCAS application, students must submit the following:

- An official transcript from each institution the applicant has attended and/or is currently attending must be submitted to OTCAS.
- Three letters of recommendation (submitted through OTCAS). We prefer that one letter come from a college professor who can attest to your ability to enter a competitive professional program. If you have been out of school for some time, letters from a work setting can be helpful. Do not submit letters from family members or friends.
- Respond to Creighton Program Specific Questions through OTCAS
- Observation in an OT setting – There is no minimum number of hours required for observation, just that the candidate has spent some time in an OT setting. The Admission Committee will be evaluating candidates based on level of knowledge and experience acquired in Occupational Therapy.