

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY: ENTRY LEVEL, OTD

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirements>) and policies (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policies>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No

Mode of Instruction Definitions

Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW–Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement Detail

Minimum Credit Requirement	97 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	85 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	All credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).

Overall	3.00 GPA required.
Graduate GPA Requirement	Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/).
Other Grade Requirements	Students must earn a grade of C or better in ANATOMY 622 to continue in the program.
Assessments and Examinations	Capstone project proposal and final product must be reviewed and approved by a capstone committee per Graduate School policy.
Language Requirements	No language requirements.
Graduate School Breadth Requirement	Breadth is provided via interprofessional training (doctoral minor or graduate/professional certificate waived).

REQUIRED COURSES

The Entry-Level, Occupational Therapy Doctorate (OTD) has a prescribed curriculum of 97 credits total.

Code	Title	Credits
Occupational-Centered Practice Thread		
OCC THER 630	Clinical and Functional Anatomy for Occupational Therapists	6
OCC THER 640	Applied Neuroanatomy for Allied Health Professionals	3
OCC THER 650	Enabling Occupations: Introduction	2
OCC THER 651	Clinical Conditions I	1
OCC THER 652	Clinical Conditions II	1
OCC THER 662	Level II Fieldwork A	6
OCC THER 664	Level II Fieldwork B	6
OCC THER 722	Enabling Occupations 1: Adult Focus	4
OCC THER 723	Enabling Occupations 2: Adult Focus	4
OCC THER 724	Enabling Occupations 3: Mental Health Across the Life Span	3
OCC THER 725	Enabling Occupations 4: Pediatrics	5
OCC THER 726	Level I Fieldwork A: Adult Physical Disabilities	1
OCC THER 727	Level I Fieldwork B: Community-Based Mental Health	1
OCC THER 728	Level I Fieldwork C: Pediatrics	1
OCC THER 821	Case Synthesis I	1
Evidence-Based Research Thread		
OCC THER 770	Evidence Based Practice Lab Practicum	2
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OCC THER 771	Evidence Based Practice 1: Basics	3
OCC THER 772	Evidence Based Practice 2: Research Design, Methods, and Analysis	3
OCC THER 773	Evidence Based Practice 3: Research Translation	3
OCC THER 880	Introduction to Capstone	1

OCC THER 881	Capstone Project 1	3
OCC THER 882	Capstone Project II	3
Leadership and Professional Skills Thread		
OCC THER 710	Professional and Leadership Skills 1: Foundations	2
OCC THER 711	Professional and Leadership Skills 2: Effective Interprofessional Relationships	2
OCC THER 712	Professional and Leadership Skills 3: Management	2
OCC THER 811	Applied Leadership and Management in OT	3
OCC THER 814	Communicating OT to Interprofessional Audiences	2
OCC THER 822	Case Synthesis 2	2
OCC THER 883	Doctoral Experiential Component	6
Wellness Thread		
OCC THER 731	Living Well: Wellness Promotion for Graduate Students	1
OCC THER 732	Living Well: Designing Occupation-based Wellness Promotion	2
OCC THER 733	Promoting Health and Wellness for Populations	3
OCC THER 734	Living Well: Occupation-Based Interventions Promoting Health and Wellness	2
OCC THER 812	Current Trends Shaping Occupational Therapy Practice	3
Total Credits		97

Sample 3-Year Schedule

Code	Title	Credits
Summer 1		
Students must complete 9 credits from following courses.		
ANATOMY 622	Human Anatomy for Physical and Occupational Therapy Students	6
OCC THER 650	Enabling Occupations: Introduction	2
OCC THER 731	Living Well: Wellness Promotion for Graduate Students	1
Fall 1		
Students must complete 15 credits from the following courses.		
OCC THER 640	Applied Neuroanatomy for Allied Health Professionals	3
OCC THER 651	Clinical Conditions I	1
OCC THER 710	Professional and Leadership Skills 1: Foundations	2
OCC THER 722	Enabling Occupations 1: Adult Focus	4
OCC THER 770	Evidence Based Practice Lab Practicum	2
OCC THER 771	Evidence Based Practice 1: Basics	3
Spring 1		
Students must complete 14 credits from the following courses.		

OCC THER 711	Professional and Leadership Skills 2: Effective Interprofessional Relationships	2
OCC THER 723	Enabling Occupations 2: Adult Focus	4
OCC THER 726	Level 1 Fieldwork A: Adult Physical Disabilities	1
OCC THER 732	Living Well: Designing Occupation-based Wellness Promotion	2
OCC THER 770	Evidence Based Practice Lab Practicum	2
OCC THER 772	Evidence Based Practice 2: Research Design, Methods, and Analysis	3

Summer 2

Students must complete 10 credits from the following courses.

OCC THER 652	Clinical Conditions II	1
OCC THER 724	Enabling Occupations 3: Mental Health Across the Life Span	3
OCC THER 727	Level 1 Fieldwork B: Community-Based Mental Health	1
OCC THER 733	Promoting Health and Wellness for Populations	3
OCC THER 814	Communicating OT to Interprofessional Audiences	2

Fall 2

Students must complete 15 credits from the following courses.

OCC THER 725	Enabling Occupations 4: Pediatrics	5
OCC THER 728	Level 1 Fieldwork C: Pediatrics	1
OCC THER 770	Evidence Based Practice Lab Practicum	2
OCC THER 773	Evidence Based Practice 3: Research Translation	3
OCC THER 811	Applied Leadership and Management in OT	3
OCC THER 821	Case Synthesis 1	1

Spring 2

Students must complete 7 credits from the following courses.

OCC THER 662	Level II Fieldwork A	6
OCC THER 880	Introduction to Capstone	1

Summer 3

Students must complete 6 credits from the following courses. Students have the option to complete 2 optional elective credits.

OCC THER 664	Level II Fieldwork B	6
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Fall 3

Students must complete 12 credits from courses below.

OCC THER 734	Living Well: Occupation-Based Interventions Promoting Health and Wellness	2
or KINES 785	Human Occupation and Health	
OCC THER 712	Professional and Leadership Skills 3: Management	2

OCC THER 812	Current Trends Shaping Occupational Therapy Practice	3
OCC THER 822	Case Synthesis 2	2
OCC THER 881	Capstone Project 1	3

Spring 3

Students must complete 9 credits from the following courses.

OCC THER 882	Capstone Project II	3
OCC THER 883	Doctoral Experiential Component	6

Total Credits **97**

Students in this program may not take courses outside the prescribed curriculum without faculty advisor and program director approval.

Students in this program cannot enroll concurrently in other undergraduate or graduate degree programs.