

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY: ENTRY LEVEL, OTD

Prospective students interested in the Occupational Therapy OTD named option of Entry Level OTD should apply directly to the Occupational Therapy OTD program (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/kinesiology/occupational-therapy-otd/>). Admissions to the Occupational Therapy: Entry Level OTD named option have been suspended as of fall 2025 and will be discontinued as of fall 2026.

This is a named option within the Occupational Therapy, OTD (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/kinesiology/occupational-therapy-otd/>).

The Entry-Level Occupational Therapy Doctorate (OTD) is a three-year, full time program. Our cohort is an intimate 32 students who receive the individualized advising and support they need to develop into successful clinicians and leaders. The program includes the fundamentals of occupational therapy best practice with values emphasizing the importance of occupation, cultural responsiveness, ethical practice, interprofessional collaboration, and social justice. Our courses are organized into four main threads:

- Practice – Occupation-centered and evidence-based
- Research – Critical application and participation in clinically relevant research
- Leadership – Respectful advocacy, influence and transformation
- Wellness – Promoting health in self and others