

Course Prerequisites for Occupational Therapy

Due to variation in each school's curriculum, the following is merely a guideline of typical requirements. To determine the exact requirements for each program, the student should work with their academic advisor to review each school to which he/she is applying.

A bachelor's degree is required for entry into all occupational therapy programs. Some programs require a number of observational hours with an occupational therapist for admissions into the program. Some programs require applicants to take the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) for admission into the program. The GRE measures the applicant's verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning, and analytical writing. For more information about GRE and preparation for the exam visit <https://www.ets.org/gre/>

SMSU Course Number	Pre-Requisite courses for Program	Semester Credit Hours
Biol 104	Medical Terminology	1
Biol 200	Introduction to cellular biology with lab	4
Biol 305/306	Anatomy and Physiology I and II with Lab	8
Soci 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
Math 200	Statistics	3
Psych 101	General Psychology	3
Psych XXX	two additional applied psychology courses covering developmental psychology, abnormal psychology, and/or lifespan development and aging	6+
	Additional Recommended courses	
Exsc 100	Anatomical kinesiology with lab	4
Exsc 300	Biomechanics of Human Motion	3
Exsc XXX	Upper level courses in exercise science	
Phys 141/142	College Physics I and II with lab	8