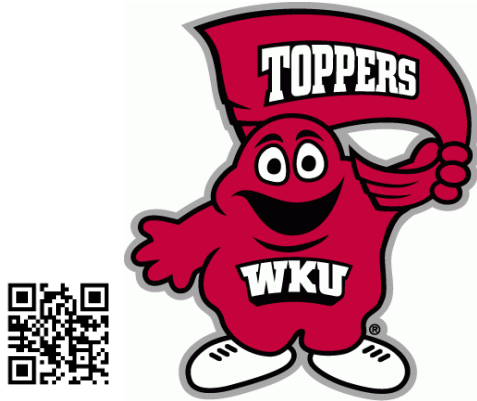


PRE-OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY INFORMATION



WKU COURSES FOR PRE-OT STUDENTS*

BIOL 131 Human Anatomy & Physiology (4)
 BIOL 231 Adv. Human Anatomy & Physiology (4)

CHEM 109 Chem for the Health Sciences (4)

PSY/PSYS 100 Introduction to Psychology (3)
 PSY/PSYS 220 Developmental Psychology (3)
 PSYPSYS 440 Abnormal Psychology (3)

MATH 183 Introductory Statistics (3)
 SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology (3)

The above courses are required by virtually all programs. Additional courses that will assist in your first year in OT school and are required by some include: Physics, Medical Terminology, Ethics and Kinesiology. Check with the schools you plan to apply to for admission requirements.

The Bachelor's Degree requires 120 hours. The major + minor must total at least 54 hours (48 unduplicated). A student may opt for a 48 major with no minor.

* "Pre-OT" is not a major, but is a concentration.

Specialty	Median Salary
Occupational Therapist	\$83,200

SOURCE: US Bureau of Labor Statistics

WHAT DO OT SCHOOLS EVALUATE?

- Academic Record
- GRE Score
- Letters of Evaluation
- Personal Statement (OTCAS Application)
- Experience (work, observation)
- Interview

For more info: <http://www.wku.edu/wkuhpa>
<http://www.aota.org/>

APPLICATION TIMETABLE

Study for the GRE	Now! At least 3 months prior to attempting the test.
Register for the GRE	Register early (60-90 days prior) for the date and location you desire (seats are limited). Cost, \$205
GRE	The computer-based GRE is given year-round.
OTCAS Online App.	Primary application to OT school, you may begin working on it in July, and it should be submitted by October 1st. Cost, \$145+ \$60/school.
Letters of Evaluation	After you complete your application, contact your advisor.
Secondary Applications	Submit as soon as you can adequately complete.
Interviews	Contacted mid-December to be interviewed in mid to late January.
Acceptances	As early as mid-February but as late as June.

OTHER INFORMATION

- There are many accredited occupational therapy schools in the U.S., not all use OTCAS
- Area Schools Include: ECU, Spalding, Belmont, U. Southern Indiana, and Tennessee State
- You will view your unofficial Verbal and Quant GRE scores at the testing center (computer-based)
- Scholarships and other forms of Financial Aid are available, most students take out loans
- Get some experience, volunteer, shadow and/or work in a occupational therapy setting. Most schools require 20-50 hours minimum. More is better.

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