

**DEGREE/PROGRAM CHANGE
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Proposed effective term

Semester Fall Year 2016

Course Information

Select Appropriate Program Graduate Degree Program
Name of New or Existing Program Master of Occupational Therapy
Select Category Degree Degree Type Graduate
Select Action Revision

Exact Title and Requirements as they should appear in the catalog. If there is a change, upload current and proposed requirements.

See current catalog for format within the respective college (upload a doc/pdf file)

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Does this change affect other departmental program/branch campuses? If yes, indicate below.

Reason(s) for Request (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)

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Upload a document that includes justification for the program, impact on long-range planning, detailed budget analysis and faculty workload implications.(upload a doc/pdf file)

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Are you proposing a new undergraduate degree or new undergraduate certificate? If yes, upload the following documents.

Upload a two-page Executive Summary authorized by Associate Provost. (upload a doc/pdf file)

Upload memo from Associate Provost authorizing go-ahead to full proposal. (upload a doc/pdf file)

Professional Curriculum

The Occupational Therapy Graduate Program offers the Master of Occupational Therapy degree under a research project. The student must submit a written research document that is approved by their committee, and successfully complete the Occupational Therapy Student Performance Assessment (OTSPA). Occupational therapy course work is taken in a designated sequence.

Occupational Therapy Graduate Program

Core Professional Curriculum including Fieldwork II – full-time track (78 credit hours)

Must enroll in OCHT 594 for a minimum of 4 credit hours (2 credit hours are research based)

Must complete elective course work for a minimum of 3 credit hours

Total number of hours to complete degree requirements= 84 credit hours

Fall Year 1

OCHT 514L	Introduction to Occupation and Health	3 credits
OCHT 524L	Kinesiology of Occupation – w/PBL (PBL) Problem-Based Learning	3 credits
OCHT 534	Introduction to Evidence-Based Practice	4 credits
OCHT 544L	Occupation across the Life Span	5 credits
OCHT 594	Graduate Seminar Orientation	1 credits
Total		16 credits

Spring Year 1

OCHT 522L	Neuroanatomy	3 credits
OCHT 554L	Relationship Centered Care	2 credits
OCHT 564L	Appl Occ I-Orthopedic Practice	6 credits
OCHT 634L	Neuroscience of Occupation	2 credits
OCHT 594	Graduate Seminar	1 credits
Total		14 credits

Summer Year 1

OCHT 614L	Appl Occ III-Psychosocial Practice	5 credits
Total		5 credits

Fall Year 2

OCHT 604L	Appl Occ II-Neurological Practice	5 credits
OCHT 624L	Advocacy, Comm. & Leadership	3 credits
OCHT 654	Organization & Administration	2 credits
OCHT 594	Graduate Seminar	1 credits
Total		11 credits

Spring Year 2

OCHT 664L	Appl Occ IV-Pediatric Practice	6 credits
OCHT 674L	Community Health– w/PBL	4 credits
OCHT 594	Graduate Seminar	1 credits
Total		11 credits

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Masters Examination: Research Poster Presentations
Masters Examination: Occupational Therapy Student Performance Assessment (OTSPA)

Summer Year 2

(12 credits Total)

OCTH 675 Fieldwork Level II **12 credits**

Fall Year 3

(12 credits Total)

OCTH 675 Fieldwork Level II **12 credits**

Graduation Requirements

Graduation requires successful completion of a minimum of 83 credit hours including required didactic course work, assessments, and Master's Examination. Students must complete all Graduate Studies requirements, including the Master's Project, with a minimum 3.00 GPA.

Master's Project

- 53 credit hours didactic course work
- 4 credit hours minimum OCTH 594 (Research Project)
- 3 credit hours graduate-level elective
- 24 credit hours Fieldwork Level II (two 12-week sessions)

Project option requires:

- Completion of the master's research requirement and approval by a faculty committee
- Master's Examination: Occupational Therapy Student Performance Assessment (OTSPA)

Additional Fieldwork Information

Fieldwork is an important part of occupational therapy education. Short term fieldwork (FW I) is arranged in coordination with specific academic courses. Full-time fieldwork (FW II) follows successful completion of academic course work and the OTSPA.

- Students are responsible for tuition, transportation to and from fieldwork sites, and living expenses while on fieldwork. Fieldwork opportunities are usually available in New Mexico; however, students may be assigned to fieldwork in other states.
- All required FW II must be completed within 24 months of completion of the academic courses.
- Each FW II placement is usually three months in length (total of six months).