

Entry Level MSOT Admission Requirements Proposed February 1, 2016

- I. Application: *Information to include, but not limited to the following:*
 - A. Demographic information
 - B. Personal statement (essay)
 - C. Documentation of criminal background check
 - D. Documentation of drug-screen
 - E. Documentation of immunizations
 - F. Current CPR certification
 - G. Honors, extra-curricular activities, and work experience
 - H. Confirmation of review and understanding of Department of Occupational Therapy's *Essential Functions for Coursework and Fieldwork*
- II. Minimum 3.0 cumulative undergraduate GPA
- III. Minimum of bachelor degree or higher completed by the start of the first semester
- IV. Two separate volunteer/observation experiences under direct supervision of a licensed occupational therapy practitioner who has no personal connection to applicant; minimum of 20 hours each at a different type of setting
- V. Two letters of recommendation, one related to academics (college-level), and one from work or volunteer supervisor
- VI. GRE
 - A. Taken within past 5 years
 - B. Writing section score: 3.5 or higher
 - C. Competitive score on verbal and quantitative sections
- VII. Pre-requisite course requirements
 - a. All courses completed within past 10 years; past 5 years preferred
 - b. Minimum grade of B- on four-point scale
 - c. On-line science courses not accepted
 - d. Placement test scores will not meet pre-requisite course requirements
 - e. Pre-requisite courses must be taken post-high school
 - f. Anatomy & Physiology: cadaver lab preferred
 - g. All pre-requisite coursework earned at regionally-accredited institution(s)
 - h. No more than two prerequisites incomplete prior to the application deadline

Pre-requisite Courses:

1. Kinesiology (3 cr hr); Lab recommended
2. Introductory level Sociology or Anthropology (3 cr hr)
3. Statistics (3 cr hr); through Math or Psychology department recommended

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4. Physics (3 cr hr); Lab required
5. Introductory Psychology (3 cr hr)
6. Abnormal Psychology (3 cr hr)
7. Developmental Psychology (lifespan) (3 cr hr)
8. Anatomy & Physiology I (3 cr hr); Lab required
9. Anatomy & Physiology II (3 cr hr); Lab required
10. Neuroanatomy or Neuroscience (3 cr hr); Lab recommended
11. Medical terminology (1 cr hr)

- VIII. Onsite interview: *By invitation only*
- A. Interview attendance on specified date
 - B. Onsite writing requirement on date of interview

Applicants will be ranked according to above criteria and the top candidates will be invited for an onsite interview. Early admit application deadline is Oct 1; if space permits priority deadline is Dec 1 and regular deadline is Feb 1.

To be submitted for approval by the following entities:
Xavier University,
Ohio Board of Regents,
Higher Learning Commission, and
Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education