Entry Level MSOT Admission Requirements

March 2, 2017

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 3.25 cumulative undergraduate GPA

III. Minimum of bachelor degree or higher completed by the start of the first semester

IV. Official transcript(s) that shows grades earned in pre-requisite courses

V. 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

VI. Two letters of recommendation, one related to academics (college-level) and one from work or volunteer supervisor

VII. GRE
   A. Taken within past 5 years
   B. Writing section score: 3.5 or higher
   C. Competitive score on verbal and quantitative sections

VIII. 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 (designated by ** below) not accepted
   d. Placement test scores will not meet pre-requisite course requirements
   e. Pre-requisite courses must be taken post-high school or accepted as transfer credit from baccalaureate degree-granting institution
   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: (Equivalent to XU course content as listed for each)***

I. **Kinesiology** (3 cr hr); **Lab required**
   Equivalent to ATTR 386/387 or HOCS 386/387
2. Introductory level Sociology or Anthropology (3 cr hr)
   Equivalent to SOCI 101 or SOCI 180

3. Statistics (3 cr hr); through Math or Psychology department recommended
   Equivalent to MATH 116 or MATH 156 or PSYC 210/212

4. **Physics (3 cr hr); Lab required**
   Equivalent to PHYS 140/142

5. Introductory Psychology (3 cr hr)
   Equivalent to PSYC 101

6. Abnormal Psychology (3 cr hr)
   Equivalent to PSYC 277

7. Developmental Psychology (lifespan) (3 cr hr)
   Equivalent to PSYC 231

8. **Anatomy & Physiology I (3 cr hr); Lab required**
   Equivalent to BIOL 140/141 or BIOL 354/355

9. **Anatomy & Physiology II (3 cr hr); Lab required**
   Equivalent to BIOL 142/143 or BIOL 410/411

10. Neuroanatomy or Neuroscience (3 cr hr); Lab recommended
    Equivalent to BIOL 204

11. Medical terminology (1 cr hr)
    Equivalent to RADT 150

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

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

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

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