

Occupational Therapy Doctorate (OTD) Direct Admit Pathway

Applicable Only to Xavier University Incoming Freshman and Rising Sophomore Students

Seats in the OTD Program will be held for exceptional incoming Xavier University freshman students or Xavier University rising sophomores who successfully complete 2 full-time freshman semesters of coursework.

To be considered for the Direct Admit Pathway:

1. Submit Xavier University application by February 1
2. Select 'Pre-Occupational Therapy' as your pre-professional track on the Xavier University admission application or Common App
3. Students who apply will know of their Direct Admit Pathway acceptance by March 1
4. Deposit at Xavier University by the May 1 deadline

Direct Admit Pathway Criteria for *Incoming Freshman*

- Are in the upper tier as indicated by high school cumulative GPA and ACT or SAT scores
 - Earn a cumulative high school GPA of 3.75 or higher
 - Obtain a minimum SAT score of 1310 or ACT score of 28
- Meet OTD Admission criteria upon application to the OTD Program

Direct Admit Pathway Criteria for *Rising Sophomores*

Those who do not meet the Direct Admit Pathway as an incoming freshman, have the opportunity for Direct Admit Pathway as a Rising Sophomore at the end of their freshman year if the following criteria are met:

- Completed 2 full-time semesters at Xavier University
- Are in the upper tier as indicated by cumulative GPA and prerequisite course GPA
 - Earn a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher
 - Completion of a minimum of two prerequisite OTD course requirements each with a grade of B or higher
- Meet OTD Admission criteria upon application to the OTD Program

Acceptance to the OTD Program and admission assured for students who meet all OTD admission criteria given they matriculate into the OTD Program the Fall immediately following completion of a minimum undergraduate degree from Xavier University. Direct Admit Pathway students must apply to the OTD Program via OTCAS. OTCAS application fee for Xavier University application will be deducted from your Bursar bill after successful completion of first OTD semester.

Approved by Xavier University, Higher Learning Commission, Ohio Department of Higher Education.
Candidacy Status granted by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education.