

POST-PROFESSIONAL OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DOCTORATE

Program Overview:

The PPOTD program is dedicated to advancing the profession of occupational therapy through mentorship, expanding clinical practice, and providing innovative solutions in community settings. The program is designed to support personal and professional growth through lifelong learning, critical thinking, professional behaviors, interprofessional collaboration, cultural awareness, and spirituality. Graduates will contribute knowledge or research to the field of occupational therapy through the scholarship of application, teaching, or integration. Graduates will have the skills for leadership positions in healthcare or education and be able to translate knowledge into evidence-informed practice contributing to the future of the profession.

Program Student Learning Outcomes:

PSLO 1: Graduates will demonstrate the skills necessary to advance the profession through leadership, mentoring, and advocacy across various contexts.

PSLO 2: Graduates will be able to translate knowledge into ethical, evidence-informed practice to best meet the needs of a diverse client population.

PSLO 3: Graduates will contribute knowledge or research to the field of occupational therapy through the scholarship of application, teaching, or integration.

PSLO 4: Graduates will demonstrate a commitment to professional service.

Admission requirements:

- Graduated from an ACOTE accredited college/university occupational therapy program with either a bachelor’s or masters degree.
- Curriculum vitae or resume
- Three letters of recommendation
- A minimum of 1 year of occupational therapist experience actively working in the field
- Complete an interview with faculty prior to admission
- Submit an essay stating professional goals
- Current state (s) occupational therapist license
- Non-refundable deposit of \$500.

Course	Title	Hours
Semester I		
OTD 701	Critical Appraisal of Literatu	3
OTD 702	Evidence-Informed Clinical Pra	3
OTD 750	Spirituality in Occupational T	1
Hours		7
Semester II		
OTD 711	Community & Cultural-Based Occ	3
OTD 712	Innovative Practice in Occupat	3
OTD 751	Health Policy and Advocacy	1
Hours		7
Semester III		
OTD 721	Neuroscience of Behavior	3

OTD 722	Clinical Leadership, Ethics, &	3
OTD 752	Transition to Academia	1
Hours		7
Semester IV		
OTD 730	Clinical Teaching & Instructio	3
OTD 732	Capstone Process & Proposal	3
Hours		6
Semester V		
OTD 740	Capstone I	3
OTD 742	Capstone II	3
Hours		6
Total Hours		33