APPLICATION PROCESS
Applicants apply to the program upon completion of a bachelor’s degree and having met all other required admissions criteria. Applications are accepted from July through early January each year. Application materials include the OTCAS application and an OT supplemental application. Admission decisions are emailed in mid-March. Complete details about our admissions and application requirements can be found at z.umn.edu/umnot

CRITERIA AND REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

- Minimum of 3.0 GPA (cumulative and prerequisite)
- Required Prerequisites
- OT Observation Hours or Orientation to OT Course
- Personal Essays
- Bachelors Degree

The Masters of Occupational Therapy Curriculum is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) c/o Accreditation Department American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA)
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Upon completion of the OT program students are eligible to take the national certification examination by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). Completion of the NBCOT exam after graduation provides eligibility for state licensure and employment in occupational therapy. Note that a felony conviction may affect a graduate’s ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure.

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What is Occupational Therapy?

- Occupational therapy is a science driven, evidence-based profession that helps people of all ages participate in the things they want and need to do.
- Occupational therapists use every day activities (occupations) as therapeutic interventions to help people achieve personally meaningful goals.
- Occupational therapists are creative problem solvers who have a holistic perspective in which the focus is on adapting activities and environments to fit the abilities of the person.

Why the University of Minnesota?

- More than 65 years leading the profession
- Consistently strong program outcomes
- Faculty committed to quality teaching using innovative approaches, focused fieldwork, and supported research
- Hybrid or blended delivery of the curriculum which permits access to online lectures, laboratory simulations, and course materials from home AND attend classroom-based education in state-of-the-art classrooms and laboratories
- Two classroom locations, Twin Cities and Rochester, providing easier access to in-class learning
- Attend a First Step Information Session to learn more about what our program has to offer! Future dates and registration information can be found on our website.

Career Possibilities

Graduates of this program have found employment in:
- Rehabilitation
- Hospitals
- Home Care Agencies
- Schools
- Adult Day Programs
- Mental Health Settings
- Community Organizations
- And More

Occupational Therapy Interventions

- Help children with disabilities fully participate in school and social settings
- Help people recovering from physical or mental illness or injury to regain skills needed to return to valued life roles
- Help older adults experiencing physical and cognitive changes to remain engaged and functional in valued life activities.

Occupational Therapists can have a lasting impact on a person’s quality of life and see clients progress from start to finish, which is very rewarding. -Student Class of 2017