

Master of

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

A WELL-ESTABLISHED PATH FOR THOSE WELL ON THEIR WAY

With a welcoming faculty and access to well-rounded and long-lasting knowledge, our community of researchers, scholars and teachers is committed to educating clinical and academic leaders. Our students are primed to impact the world as empowered and impassioned changemakers new to occupational therapy. Elmhurst's program will push your potential to the next level with rigorous academic learning, fieldwork, service learning, collaborative research and practical experience – all designed to help you go far and do well.

Years to degree completion

\$69,000

total tuition costs *tuition and fees subject to change

> 60 Semester hours

Elmhurst University

School of Graduate Studies

YOUR FUTURE IS WELL WITHIN YOUR REACH

As an occupational therapist, you will understand human beings to be complex, culturally diverse beings who are pursuing meaning and life satisfaction through engagement in purposeful everyday life activities. You provide support in life-giving independence by applying evidence-based practices to help people build skills for everyday living.

Explore boundless opportunities for clinical work in:

- Hospitals
- · Day care facilities
- · Nursing homes
- Schools and universities
- Community centers
- Private practice or residences

ACCREDITATION

Elmhurst University's master's degree program in entry-level occupational therapy is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) located at 7501 Wisconsin Ave, Suite 510E, Bethesda, MD 20814. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA and its web address is acoteonline.org. Graduates of the

program will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be an Occupational Therapist, Registered (OTR).

In addition, all states require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination.

NBCOT Certification Upon program accreditation and successful curriculum completion the graduates of the program will be eligible to sit for the NBCOT examination to become a practicing occupational therapist. The examination is administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT), locate at One Bank Street Gaithersburg MD, 20878, NBCOT's phone number is (301) 990-7979, web address is nbcot.org.

NBCOT Eligibility A felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure. For students with a concern in this area, NBCOT can be contacted directly for information related to the Early Determination and Character Review process for approval to take the NBCOT certification examination.

Further information can be found on Elmhurst's website: elmhurst.edu/motaccred

12%

projected employment growth of occupational therapists from 2022 - 2032 \$96,370 Median annual wage

for OTs in 2023



(Bureau of Labor Statistics, bls.gov)





A lot of things come together in this field—neuroscience, biology, psychology, anatomy and sociology. We help our students connect the dots, and we make it a point to always be available to them.

Dr. Elizabeth Wanka

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PROGRAM FORMAT

Full-time

Hybrid (combined on-campus and online includes classroom and fieldwork)

Fall start only



APPLICATION DEADLINE AND REQUIREMENTS

The OTCAS application will open July 19, 2024 for Fall 2025 consideration. Applications must be verified by OTCAS on or before January 15, 2025. (Unverified applications will not be reviewed)

All applications are processed through OTCAS. There is no supplemental application required by Elmhurst University.

Scan for more info:



Course Sequence

You'll complete 21 courses for a total of 60 semester hours.

YEAR ONE	
MOT 500 MOT 504 MOT 516 MOT 508 MOT 512	Fundamentals of Contemporary Practice Research Methods Fieldwork IA: Factors Influencing Health and Illness Healthcare Systems and Health Policy Health and Occupation
January Term	
MOT 520 MOT 524	Clinical Neuroscience I Professional Practice Seminar
Spring Term	
MOT 528 MOT 552 MOT 540	Evaluation I: Mental Health and Learning Challenges Evaluation II: Acute and Chronic Physical Health Challenges Fieldwork Level IB: Building Community Partnerships
Summer Term	
MOT 544 MOT 548	Clinical Neuroscience II Functional Anatomy
YEAR TWO Fall Term	
MOT 564 MOT 532 MOT 556 MOT 536 MOT 560 January Term	Fieldwork IC: Serving Populations Planning and Intervention I: Mental Health Challenges Planning and Intervention III: Acute Physical Health Challenges Planning and Intervention II: Learning Challenges Planning and Intervention IV: Chronic Physical Health Challenges
MOT 568 MOT 572 Spring Term	Synthesis I: Ability-Based Competencies Fieldwork IIA
MOT 572 MOT 576	Fieldwork IIA Fieldwork IIB

Admission Criteria

· A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited U.S. institution or foreign equivalent

Synthesis II: Wrap-up

- · Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4 O scale
- Official transcripts from all institutions attended
- · Personal Statement

Summer Term

MOT 580

- · Professional Resume
- · Three Letters of Recommendation
- · A minimum of 20 documented observation hours
- · Interview (by Invitation only)

Note: The master of occupational therapy program at Elmhurst does not accept transfer credits, experiential learning credits, or Advanced Placement credits toward fulfillment of graduate level coursework required to complete the master of occupational therapy degree.

Prerequisite Coursework:

- · Human Anatomy with a lab (4 credit hours) and Human Physiology with a lab (4 credit hours)
- Human Anatomy & Physiology I with a lab (4 credit hours) and Human Anatomy & Physiology II with a lab (4 credit hours)
- Sociology or Anthropology (3 credit hours)
- Developmental Psychology (3 credit hours) Example: Lifespan Development, Child Development, Adolescent Development, Adult Development and Aging
- Abnormal Psychology (3 credit hours) Example: Abnormal Psychology, Psychopathology
- Statistics (3 credit hours) Example: Elementary Statistics, Business Statistics, Social Science Statistics

*Students must have earned a B- or better in all prerequisite coursework and must have completed this coursework within the past 5 years.





