

Kinesiology -> Occupational Therapy Dual Degree/Early Acceptance Program

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3 Years at
UTSA
(Not 4)

3 Years at
UTHSCSA

Bachelor's Degree
+
Master of Occupational
Therapy Degree

How can I complete two degrees in six years?

UTHSCSA's dual degree program, in coordination with UTSA, allows students to apply credits earned during the occupational therapy program toward their bachelor's requirements, saving a year's work while earning both a bachelor's degree and a occupational therapy degree.

How do I become eligible?

- Complete at least 26 semester credit hours (SCH) including at least 14 SCH in science and math.
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.30 overall and in science/math.
- Provide a letter of reference from a science faculty member at UTSA and a licensed occupational therapist.
- Write a personal statement addressing your goal of becoming an occupational therapist.
- Provide a resume including previous work experience, honors and awards, extracurricular organizations and activities, and community service experience.
- Complete at least 40 hours as a volunteer, observer, or employee in at least two occupational therapy settings (a total of 40 hours must be completed before the regular admission deadline).

What additional factors may be considered for the early acceptance program?

- Bilingual Ability
- Public/community service or "volunteer" related activities
- Knowledge of the health care environment
- Employment history and leadership positions held
- Communication skills and intellectual curiosity
- Knowledge of and motivation/commitment to being an occupational therapist
- Life experience/maturity

When can I apply?

Students interested in the physical therapy dual degree/early acceptance program must apply before **August 31 after completion of their freshman year.**

When will I receive my undergraduate degree?

As the student completes required courses in the occupational therapy program, credit for designated courses will be applied to undergraduate degree requirements as well. The bachelor's degree is awarded by UTSA once it has received a transcript confirming the student has successfully completed the required coursework during the first year of the occupational therapy program.

The Master of Occupational Therapy degree is awarded upon successful completion of the three-year occupational therapy curriculum.

For additional information or to apply for this program, contact the Health Professions Office.

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Minimum Required Coursework to be Completed at UTSA

Completion of Core Curriculum

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| _____ Communications | (6 semester credit hours) |
| _____ Mathematics* | (3 semester credit hours) |
| _____ Natural Sciences* | (6 semester credit hours) |
| _____ Humanities and Visual Performing Arts | (6 semester credit hours) |
| _____ Social and Behavioral Sciences | (18 semester credit hours) |
| _____ World Society and Issues | (3 semester credit hours) |

24 Semester Credit Hours of Major Course Work

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| _____ KIN 2303 | Scientific and Cultural Foundations |
| _____ KIN 3303 | Athletic Injuries and Training Procedures |
| _____ KIN 3313 | Anatomy and Physiology for Kinesiology |
| _____ KIN 3323 | Biomechanics |
| _____ KIN 3433 | Exercise Physiology |
| _____ KIN 3453 | Fitness Programming and Exercise Prescription |
| _____ KIN 4253 | Exercise Nutrition |
| _____ KIN 4403 | Motor Learning |

50 Semester Credit Hours of Support Work

17 semester credit hours are required in biology:

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| _____ BIO 1122 | Laboratory Investigations in Biology |
| _____ BIO 1404 | Biosciences I |
| _____ BIO 1413 | Biosciences II |
| _____ BIO 2091 | Human Anatomy Laboratory |
| _____ BIO 2111 | Human Physiology Laboratory |
| _____ BIO 3123 | Comparative Vertebrae Anatomy |
| _____ BIO 3153 | Physiology of Human Systems |

5 semester credit hours are required in chemistry:

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| _____ CHE 1103, 1122 | General Chemistry I and Laboratory |
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6 semester credit hours are required in mathematics and statistics:

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| _____ MAT 1073 | Algebra for Scientist and Engineers |
| _____ STA 1053 | Basic Statistics |

4 semester credit hours are required in physics:

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| _____ PHY 1603, 1611 | Algebra-based Physics I and Laboratory |
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9 semester credit hours are required in psychology:

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| _____ PSY 1013 | Introduction to Psychology |
| _____ PSY 2503 | Developmental Psychology |
| _____ PSY 2513 | Abnormal Psychology |

3 semester credit hours are required in technical writing:

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| _____ ENG 2413 | Technical Writing |
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3 semester credit hours are required in Speech:

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| _____ COM 1053 | Business and Professional Speech |
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3 semester credit hours are required in Sociology:

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| _____ SOC 1013 | Introduction to Sociology |
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