

## FACILITIES

Located on the Bannatyne campus, occupational therapy is part of the College of Rehabilitation Sciences in the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Manitoba. Classrooms and lab facilities are equipped with state-of-the-art technology. Students have access to many resources including the Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library, the Health Sciences Bookstore, the Clinical Learning and Simulation Facility, the Joe Doupe Recreational Facility and the Brodie Centre food court.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

For a complete overview of the program and admissions information, visit [umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot](http://umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot)

- Attend one of our recruitment events, such as our annual Open House (held the third Sunday in January). Visit [umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/info\\_sessions.html](http://umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/info_sessions.html) for details
- Connect with the University of Manitoba Career Mentor Program
- Contact the Admissions and Recruitment Advisor by email at: [CORS.MOTprogram@umanitoba.ca](mailto:CORS.MOTprogram@umanitoba.ca)

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# MASTER OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (MOT)



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## ABOUT OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Occupational therapy is a dynamic and growing profession that promotes the health and well-being of individuals, groups and communities. Fundamental to the profession is the concept of occupation. Occupation is everything people do to occupy themselves, such as caring for oneself or others, being productive at home, work or school and enjoying life.

## WHAT DO OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS DO?

Occupational therapists partner with people across their lifespan to enable them to lead more productive, satisfying and independent lives by facilitating their engagement in occupations that are important to them. This partnership may include:

- assisting a child with fine motor difficulties to learn to print or tie shoes
- helping a mother with depression and fatigue to manage her daily activities at home
- developing a return-to-work plan for an employee after sustaining an injury
- assisting an older adult with memory and mobility issues to live independently
- working with a community group to develop an accessible playground
- developing and evaluating a life skills program for a non-profit organization
- providing consultation to a design team for accessible housing



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

An occupational therapist may hold a position as a clinician, educator, consultant, researcher and/or manager. Occupational therapists work in a wide variety of settings in health and social services, education and labour such as:

- schools
- hospitals
- personal care homes
- home care programs
- social agencies
- rehabilitation centres
- health boards
- private practice
- industry
- community health agencies
- universities and colleges
- mental health facilities/programs
- workers' compensation boards
- construction and architectural firms

## THE MOT PROGRAM

The Master of Occupational Therapy (MOT) professional entry-level degree program prepares individuals to practice as occupational therapists. The program consists of an integrated schedule of academic and fieldwork that is delivered over two years. Throughout the program, students develop a client-centred approach grounded in the knowledge of occupation, occupational performance and occupational engagement, and the interaction between people, their environment and their occupations.

The ultimate goal of the program is to graduate entry-level occupational therapists who are self-directed, lifelong learners who demonstrate reflection, critical thinking, problem solving and a client-centred approach. Leadership, advocacy, collaborative learning and the ability to work within an inter-professional team are strongly promoted.

The MOT program has an annual intake of 50 students. Students are selected for admission based on their overall performance that considers an applicant's grade point average in the last 60 credit hours of study and interview score.

Please access [umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot/admissions\\_hub.html](http://umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot/admissions_hub.html) for details on the selection process and the admission categories.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Prior to entering the Master of Occupational Therapy program, students must meet the following eligibility requirements:

**1. Successful completion of a 3- or 4-year undergraduate degree** from a university recognized by the University of Manitoba

**2. A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 (B)** in the last 60 credit hours of study

**3. A minimum grade of "B" in each of the following prerequisite courses** (or approved alternate courses):

- Human Anatomy
- Human Physiology
- Introductory Statistics
- Psychology
- Social Sciences

*These prerequisite courses provide applicants with important background knowledge for the occupational therapy program.*

**4. Completion of the CASPer test** administered by Altus Assessments

For our most up-to-date admissions information, visit [umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot/admissions\\_hub.html](http://umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot/admissions_hub.html)



Our program is committed to Indigenous achievement and representation in the profession of occupational therapy. The program has a Canadian Indigenous Peoples Category for applicants who self-identify as Indigenous and have proof of ancestry.

### Required Pre-Requisite Courses

PREREQUISITE COURSES	UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA	UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG	BRANDON UNIVERSITY
HUMAN ANATOMY	BIOL 1410 or KPER 2320 when combined with BIOL 2410 & 2420	BIOL 1112/6 or KIN 2301/3 when combined with KIN 2204/3	15.132 or 15:171 with 15:172
HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY	BIOL 1412 or BIOL 2410 & 2420	BIOL 1112/6 or KIN 2204/3	15.132 or 15:171 with 15:172
BASIC STATISTICAL ANALYSIS	STAT 1000	STAT 1301/3 or STAT 1501/3	62.171
PSYCHOLOGY	Most courses from a department of psychology will be considered for this requirement.		
SOCIAL SERVICES	Most courses from a Department of Sociology will meet the Social Science requirement. Courses in Cultural Anthropology and Human Geography will also be considered		

## OUR STUDENTS SAY...



"The program allowed me to grow as a person and future OT because of the student-centred focus. The small class sizes created a sense of family among students and faculty. This created a safe space for personalized feedback. The use of lectures, tutorial groups and hands-on-sessions provided diverse environments to gain skills that will last a lifetime. Most importantly, our instructors were passionate about my learning and growth. There is nothing more encouraging for a student than the feeling of support in your road to success and I felt this every day."

**Melissa Campbell**

former Master of Occupational Therapy student

For a more complete listing of approved pre-requisite courses, please visit [umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot\\_eligibility.html](http://umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot_eligibility.html)