



Master of Occupational Therapy ACCELERATED PROGRAM

APPLICATION GUIDE

2021-2022 Session

Canadian Application Deadlines:

Fall 2021 Term: May 1, 2021

Winter 2022 Term: October 1, 2021

International Application Deadline:

Fall 2021 Term: January 15, 2021

Important Note: Applicants are advised to read all relevant admissions material thoroughly prior to completing and submitting an application. In addition to this document, relevant admissions material includes:

- [Faculty of Graduate Studies On-line Application](#)
- [Master of Occupational Therapy Supplemental Regulations](#)
- [Faculty of Graduate Studies –Calendar & Publications](#)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The selection of students for admission to the Master of Occupational Therapy (MOT) program follows the Academic Guide of The Faculty of Graduate Studies and the Supplemental Regulations of the Department of Occupational Therapy. The selection process is the responsibility of the Admissions and Selection Committees, standing committees of the Master of Occupational Therapy Program Committee of the College of Rehabilitation Sciences. Successful applicants are admitted to the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

There are two options in the Master of Occupational Therapy program:

- 1) ***the Regular Program*** (*two-year*), for persons holding a previous undergraduate degree who are interested in pursuing a career in occupational therapy, and
- 2) ***the Accelerated Program*** (*one-year*), for applicants who currently hold a **Bachelor of Medical Rehabilitation (Occupational Therapy) degree or equivalent**.

This Guide provides information to applicants who are seeking admission to the Master of Occupational Therapy ***Accelerated Program*** in 2021-2022. Information on admission into

the Master of Occupational Therapy Regular Program is described in a separate Application Guide found under Applying to MOT in the [MOT Admissions Hub](#).

The number of students offered admission into the Master of Occupational Therapy Accelerated Program is dependent upon resources being available at the time of application.

2. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All applicants to the Accelerated Program must meet the following basic prerequisites by May 1st (for admission to Fall term) and October 1st (for admission to Winter term) of the year of application:

1. Successful completion of a Bachelor of Medical Rehabilitation (Occupational Therapy) degree or equivalent.
2. A minimum grade point average of 'B' (3.0) in the last 60 credit hours of study.
3. Successful completion of forty-two (42) non-Bachelor of Medical Rehabilitation (Occupational Therapy) degree credit hours.
4. Evidence of having passed the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists Certification Examination and/or eligibility for registration in Manitoba by the College of Occupational Therapists of Manitoba.

3. SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES

The Admissions and Selection Committee shall consider Accelerated Program applicants within the context of fit between student's individual program requirements (i.e. independent study topic area and course selection) and available faculty resources.

Canadian Indigenous peoples who meet all entry requirements will be given priority for up to 20% of the seats available.

First Priority: Manitoban

Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents who are either graduates of the universities of Manitoba or who are Manitoba residents who are graduates of out-of-province universities.

Second Priority: Other Canadian

Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents who are graduates of universities recognized by the University of Manitoba and who are residents of Canadian provinces or territories other than Manitoba.

Third Priority: International

International applicants who are graduates of universities recognized by the University of Manitoba and who hold appropriate visa status.

4. ADVISING OF APPLICANTS TO THE MASTER OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ACCELERATED PROGRAM

The Department of Occupational Therapy will assist all applicants who seek advising regarding admission to the Master of Occupational Therapy Accelerated Program. It is the Department's policy not to instruct applicants as to the specific course of action that they should follow, but rather to provide the information needed for applicants to make their own decisions. The following points should be noted:

1. Applicants are encouraged to discuss their plans with all who can usefully advise them, but they should be aware that second-hand information about the Department's admissions policies is not considered reliable.
2. No faculty member of the College of Rehabilitation Sciences can guarantee admission of any applicant.
3. Applicants are advised to make inquiries by email to the Department of Occupational Therapy at CORS.MOTprogram@umanitoba.ca so that an official written response can be provided.

5. SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee consists of:

- The Chairperson of the Committee (shall be an OT faculty member)
- The Head of the Department of Occupational Therapy
- Two faculty representatives from the Department of Occupational Therapy
- One student representative from the Department of Occupational Therapy
- One representative from the College of Occupational Therapists of Manitoba
- One representative from Indigenous Health Student Affairs, Ongomiizwin
- Such other persons who, from time to time, be deemed appropriate
- The Dean of the College of Rehabilitation Sciences (Ex-Officio)

Once committee decisions have been made, applicants will receive an email notifying them to log into their application portal to view the decision. Students that are offered admission will be required to confirm their acceptance. Please ensure that your email account remains current and will accept emails from the University of Manitoba (check your filters).

6. APPEALS

Individuals who wish to appeal decisions of the Admissions and Selection Committee should refer to The Faculty of Graduate Studies Academic Guide and the University of Manitoba Policy on Admission Appeals Procedures and Guidelines.

Generally, these policies advise individuals who wish to have their applications reconsidered by the Committee to submit their request in writing to the Chair of the Admissions and Selection Committee at CORS.MOTprogram@umanitoba.ca within ten days of the posted decision date.

Any appeal of a reconsidered decision should be submitted within ten days following the mailing of the reconsidered decision to the University Secretariat for transmission to the University of Manitoba's Senate Committee on Admission Appeals.

Applicants are advised that appeals of the reconsidered decisions by the Senate Committee on Admission Appeals focus on questions of correct adherence to published policies and procedures by Selection Committees, and not on substantive issues or the relative merit of applications. The procedures are listed in the following documents:

- [Graduate Studies Section of the Academic Calendar & Catalog](#)
- [Master of Occupational Therapy Supplemental Regulations](#)
- Master of Occupational Therapy Accelerated Program Application Guide (this document)

7. APPLICATION FORM AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Applicants to the Master of Occupational Therapy Accelerated Program must apply through the Faculty of Graduate Studies Application linked below. Please review the Supporting Documentation section below in order to facilitate the application process.

- [Faculty of Graduate Studies On-line Application](#)

Applications are not considered received until the on-line application is submitted and the application is paid. The application fee of \$100.00 must be paid by the application deadline.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

On-line applications must be accompanied by all required admission documents.

- An electronic version of **all transcripts** from previous and currently attending post-secondary institutions. If you have a sealed official copy of your final transcript at the time of application, send it directly to the [Faculty of Graduate Studies](#) (do not open it to scan and upload it).

University of Manitoba transcripts are not required as we can obtain them confidentially via Aurora Student.

- A one-page **Letter of Introduction**. The letter of introduction should include some background on your reasons for pursuing an MOT Accelerated degree, a brief plan and timeline for how you wish to proceed through the degree, potential Independent Study topics, and should note with whom at the College of Rehabilitation Sciences you have discussed your plan. If you have developed an Independent Study Proposal, please include with the letter and outline your ideas for possible Independent Study advisor(s).
- A brief **Resume** outlining academic, volunteer and work experience.
- Proof of having passed the **CAOT Certification Exam** or of eligibility for registration, in Manitoba, by the **College of Occupational Therapists of Manitoba**.
- Two **Letters of Reference**
- Proof of **Indigenous ancestry** (First Nations, Métis or Inuit) such as a photocopy of a Treaty Card, a membership card with the Manitoba Métis Federation, a letter of verification from a Band Council or a copy of a Nunavut Trust Certificate card if applying in the [Canadian Indigenous Peoples applicant category](#) .
- Where applicable, an official current **English Language Proficiency Test**. The Faculty of Graduate Studies English Language Proficiency Test Exemption List is available [here](#) and a listing of approved English Language Proficiency tests and minimum score requirements for the Department of Occupational Therapy can be found [here](#).

8. DEADLINE DATES

- January 15, 2021** Deadline for receipt of applications from International students applying into the **Fall 2021** academic session.
- May 1, 2021** Deadline for receipt of all other applications for students applying into the **Fall 2021** academic session.
- October 1, 2021** Deadline for receipt of all other applications for students applying into the **Winter 2022** academic session.

9. USEFUL NAMES, ADDRESSES & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Faculty of Graduate Studies 204-474-9377
500 University Centre
Email: graduate.studies@umanitoba.ca
http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/graduate_studies/index.html

Financial Aid and Awards 204-474-9531
422 University Centre
http://umanitoba.ca/student/fin_awards/

Student Counselling Centre 204-474-8592
474 University Centre
<http://www.umanitoba.ca/counselling/>

Student Supports
<http://umanitoba.ca/student-supports>

Student Advocacy & Accessibility Services 204-474-7423
520 University Centre
http://umanitoba.ca/student/resource/student_advocacy/
<http://umanitoba.ca/student/accessibility/index.html>

Student Life 204-474-9093
225 University Centre
<http://umanitoba.ca/student/studentlife/>

Students' Union Office (UMSU) 204-474-8678
101 University Centre
<http://umsu.ca/>

Indigenous Student Centre 204-474-8850
Migizii Agamik, 114 Sidney Smith St.
<http://umanitoba.ca/student/indigenous/index.html>

College of Rehabilitation Sciences 204-789-3897
Department of Occupational Therapy Fax: 204-789-3927
<http://umanitoba.ca/rehabsciences/ot/index.html>

Head, Department of Occupational Therapy 204-977-5631
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The mailing address for these University Offices is:

(Name of Office)
(Room Number and Building)
University of Manitoba
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3T 2N2

The mailing address for the **College of Rehabilitation Sciences** is:

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Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3E 0T6

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College of Rehabilitation Sciences
Email: CORS.MOTprogram@umanitoba.ca

204-789-3259