University of Indianapolis – College of Health Sciences

2024-2025 Prerequisites for Admission to the University of Indianapolis Entry-Level Occupational Therapy Programs (POT) Professional Studies Concentration

NOTE: Students are required to complete requirements for a university major (minus requirements that may be fulfilled by coursework within the occupational therapy program) in addition to the following prerequisites to apply for admission to the Entry-Level Occupational Therapy Programs. All university general education core requirements must be completed before starting in the occupational therapy program.

NOTE: A grade of C or higher is required in each prerequisite course. Prerequisite coursework grades must average a 3.0 or higher.

Human Anatomy: This requirement is preferably met by a single course in human anatomy (3) semester hours), or by a vertebrate morphology course if human anatomy is unavailable. A lab is required. The program strongly encourages upper-level human anatomy courses to best prepare accepted students for gross anatomy.

• BIOL	305	Human Functional Anatomy (4) or
• BIOL	240	Vertebrate Anatomy (4)
• BIOL	103	Human Anatomy (4)

Human Physiology: This requirement is preferably met by a single course in human physiology (3 to 4 semester hours), or by an animal physiology course if human physiology is unavailable. A lab is required. The program strongly encourages upper-level human physiology courses to best prepare accepted students for graduate gross anatomy.

•	BIOL	330	Mammalian Physiology (4)
•	BIOL	104	Human Physiology (4)

Chemistry or Physics

Standard entry level chemistry OR physics, 3-4 credits.

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•	CHEM	150	General Chemistry I (3) and CHEM 151 General Chemistry Lab I (1) OR	
•	PHYS	150	General Physics I (4) OR	
•	PHYS	103	Introduction to Physics (4) OR	
•	PHYS	148	General Physics I (2) OR	
•	PHYS	149	General Physics II (2)	

Statistics

One general, or higher level, statistics course, 3 credits.

•	MATH	245	Statistics for the Sciences (4) OR
•	MATH	220	Elementary Statistics (4) OR
•	KINS	204	Introduction to Research Methods and Biostatistics (3)

General Psychology:

o Psychology (3)	Introduction	120	PSY	•
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Abnormal Psychology:

• **PSY** 345 Abnormal Psychology (3)

Human Development (must include the entire life span)

•	PSY	245	Lifespan Psychology (3) OR
•	PSY	360	Adult Development and Aging (3) AND
•	PSY	365	Child and Adolescent Development (3)

Sociology or Anthropology: Any Sociology or Anthropology course will meet this requirement. Possibilities include:

SOC 101 Principles of Sociology (3)
ANTH 100 Cultural Anthropology (3)

Medical Terminology

A minimum of 1 credit hour of a medical terminology course

• **BIOL** 200 Medical Terminology (2) or

• **HSCI** 120 Medical Terminology for Rehabilitation Professions (2)

The courses listed above are **required** for admission to the occupational therapy program. The department also recommends, but does not require, coursework in biology, English composition/writing in the sciences, literature, speech, biomechanics, and ethics. Although students can be successful with the required prerequisite listed above, it is recommended, but not required, that applicants consider the following courses in their undergraduate coursework to strengthen their foundational knowledge going into a graduate level health professions program. Additional coursework beyond the required prerequisites is only part of the application process when calculated in the applicants cumulative GPA.

The School of Occupational Therapy does not accept Advanced Placement (AP) coursework to meet prerequisite requirements. If you have AP credits, please check with your academic advisor prior to registration.

REMEMBER: If you have any questions about the Occupational Therapy Program and its requirements, contact the graduate admissions office at (317) 788-3500, Esch 1st Floor; or at ot@uindy.edu. Courses and requirements sometimes change so keep in contact with your academic advisor, and regularly check the program website: ot.uindy.edu.

Pre-occupational therapy students are encouraged to communicate with the financial aid office directly as they plan the completion of their undergraduate degree and the start of occupational therapy graduate coursework.