

OTA to Occupation Studies Program  
Fall 2025 – Selection Criteria

The OTA/OS Fall 2025 program will be using a multi-criteria selection process, which will include an in-person writing sample. Please see Writing Sample section below for additional information.

The selection process will use a point system as follows:

- Grade in Anatomy and Physiology
  - If taken as a combined course
    - A = 6 points
    - B = 4 points
    - C = 2 point
  - If taken separately or as two-part course (averaged between the two classes)
    - 3.5 – 4.0 = 8 points
    - 3.0 – 3.49 = 6 points
    - 2.5 – 2.99 = 4 points
    - 2.0 – 2.49 = 2 points
- Grade in ENGL 101, or equivalent, or equivalent
  - A = 6 points
  - B = 4 points
  - C = 2 points
- Grade in Oral Communications Skill CMST101, 102, 140, or 145, or equivalent
  - A = 6 points
  - B = 4 points
  - C = 2 points
- Grade in Introduction to Psychology, or equivalent
  - A = 6 points
  - B = 4 points
  - C = 2 points

Bonus Points:

Additional lower division general education courses completed (meeting Plan A or Plan B of Advisement Sheet) will earn an extra one (1) point for each course completed (with a “C” or better), with a maximum of five (5) possible total points earned.

Writing Sample:

The top scoring applicants from the above criteria will be invited to complete a Writing Sample. The writing samples will be evaluated using the established rubric.

- Students will select one of two prompts to write a short essay. 20 minutes will be given to complete the short essay.
- Score of in-class writing – Max possible score = 40

The applicants with the highest total score will be selected to begin the enrollment process for the Fall 2025 OTA/OS program, along with 8 alternates.