

## Pre-Occupational Therapy Professional Program

**Courses recommended for the first year:** PSYC 100, SOAN 100, PSYC 216  
 \*\*IF Biology major (psychology majors do not need these): CHEM 131 and CHEM 132

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### The Professional Program in Pre-Occupational Therapy

Note: Pre-OT is not a major; the student can major in any field; biology and/or psychology are most common.

#### Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective	Prerequisites	Credits
PSYC100	Introduction to Psychology	PS	None	4
PSYC216	Human Development		PSYC100	4
PSYC240	Statistics	Q	Requires Pre-registration with PSYC department	4
PSYC224	Psychological Disorders		PSYC100	4
BIOL130	Molecules to Cells	PN	None	4
BIOL351	Human Anatomy		None	4
BIOL362	Human Physiology		BIOL130 & soph. status	4
SOAN101	Introduction to Sociology	PS, D	None	4
CLAS290	Greek & Latin for Science		None	2

**Additional Courses (or Required Supporting Courses):** Check specific graduate programs

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective	Prerequisites	Credits
BIOL358	Neuroanatomy		BIOL351 or permission of instructor	4
BIOL455	Gross Anatomy Lab		BIOL351 and permission of instructor	2
PHYS151	Principle of Physics I	PN	None	4
SOAN326	Social Gerontology		None	4

Philosophy, math, speech communication, first aid and CPR certification may be required or suggested by specific graduate programs.

## Program Overview

Occupational therapists help patients regain control over important job-related or day-to-day functions that may have been impaired through accident, disease or birth trauma.

Augustana's pre-OT program includes courses in biology, psychology, and sociology. The flexibility of the Pre-OT curriculum allows a student to satisfy entrance requirements to most of the occupational therapy schools in the country, and it prepares students for success both in graduate school and in their career.

Augustana assists pre-occupational therapy students in gaining clinical experience. The clinical experience required for entrance into occupational therapy programs is made available through the college at a variety of clinics in the Quad-Cities area and beyond.

There are two paths to completing the Pre-OT program. **The first option** is a four-year B.A. program (nearly any major) at Augustana followed by graduate work in occupational therapy. Students who choose this option may apply to any graduate program in the country. **The second option** is a coordinated degree program in occupational therapy with Washington University in St. Louis. In this program, the student spends three years at Augustana followed by either two years (Master of Science in Occupational Therapy degree) or three years (Clinical Doctorate in Occupational Therapy) at Washington University. Prior to attending Washington University, the student must: 1) complete all Augustana general education courses, with the exception of the last 30-credits at the 300+ level; 2) major requirements unless waived by the appropriate department (with the possible exception of BIOL358/Neuroanatomy\* for the biology major.) \*If the student plans to transfer WU's Neurobiology credits back to Augustana to be applied toward the biology major, then BIOL358 cannot be taken.

\*\*Students interested in 3:2 WU program should contact Dr. Scott or Dr. Szafran early in their first year for more information