



Psychology to Doctor of Occupational Therapy 3+3 Pathway

The University of Findlay offers a 3+3 Psychology to the Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD) Program path. After 3 years of undergraduate coursework, students will enter the OTD Program. Students complete the first year of the OTD curriculum and earn a bachelor's degree in Psychology. Students will continue coursework to earn a doctoral degree in occupational therapy.

A major in psychology emphasizes thinking, communicating and positively interacting with others. The major blends strong science and applied courses that prepare students for graduate study. Opportunities exist for joint research studies with faculty members and students complete several credit hours of service-learning experiences by volunteering in the community at mental health centers, psychiatric facilities, shelters, schools, businesses, nursing homes, day care centers and other organizations.

At the University of Findlay, the OTD Program prepares students to not only practice occupational therapy, but also fulfill leadership roles and advanced positions in the field. Occupational therapists assist individuals across the lifespan to develop, improve, sustain or restore daily living, work or productivity and play or leisure by using meaningful and healthy occupations.

The OTD program embodies principles of human occupation and incorporates community-based experiences and service learning to prepare occupational

therapists who understand and value a community-focused and occupation-based approach to practice, and participate in ongoing professional development in preparation for service in diverse communities.

OTD Program Highlights

Three-Year Program - The OTD Program is a three-year program designed to be completed in nine consecutive semesters, including summers, with fieldwork integrated throughout the academic program. The third year of the curriculum consists of Level II Fieldwork and Doctoral Capstone Experience and Project.

OT Adaptive Living House - Students gain the knowledge and skills that are required to adapt home environments and devices that support individuals' day-to-day activities. **Early Assurance** - High school seniors have the option to apply for Early Assurance, which holds a seat for them in the OTD Program while they complete their bachelor's degree at Findlay.

Accreditation Statement

The University of Findlay's entry-level occupational therapy doctoral degree program has been granted Accreditation with a 7 year review cycle by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 7501 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 510E Bethesda, MD 20814. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA and its web address is www.acoteonline.org.