



MSOT CHECKLIST

Pre-Application Criteria

	Hold a baccalaureate degree with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0
	<i>Or</i> Hold a license as a COTA who has completed at least 90 college credit hours with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0
	Complete the required general education pre-requisite courses listed below before starting the MSOT program. Applicants must have a combined GPA of 3.0 or higher in these courses.

Pre-Requisite Courses	Credit Hours
Human Anatomy with lab*	4
Human Physiology, with lab*	4
Introduction to Psychology	3
Abnormal Psychology	3
Lifespan Development	3
Introduction to Sociology or Anthropology	3
Statistics* or equivalent (bio or psych stats)	3
Public Speaking, Speech or equivalent	3
English Composition	3
Medical Terminology	1

* must be taken within the last 5 years.

The above courses may vary by course name depending on the institution. You may be “in progress” of up to 2 pre-requisite courses in the semester of the application due date. Feel free to contact the [Admissions Office](#) if you have any questions.



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MSOT Application Process

✓	<p>Complete & submit the Occupational Therapist Centralized Application Service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chose Cox College as your institution for attaining the entry-level Master of Science Degree in Occupational Therapy.• Submit all required documents to OTCAS including:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• official transcripts• three professional references (one must be from an occupational therapist)• proof of 15 hours of clinical observation of an occupational therapist• proof of at least 15 hours of volunteer work/ community service in any area• cover letter expressing why Cox College is a good fit for you• personal essay describing why you are pursuing a career in occupational therapy
✓	<p>Complete the Cox College Graduate Application and submit along with a \$50 application fee to Cox College Admissions through the website, paper application, or by attending an open house event.</p>
✓	<p>Complete your FAFSA application at www.fafsa.ed.gov our school code is 013877.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Priority service date: A minimum of 4 weeks prior to the start of the semester.</i>• Contact our Financial Aid department at 417/269-3401 for assistance.
✓	<p>Apply for institutional scholarships at http://www.coxcollege.edu/scholarships</p>
✓	<p>The most competitive applicants will be invited via the email address provided in OTCAS for an online interview with select admissions team members. These select interviews will occur only after OTCAS transcript files have been “verified;” an interview does not guarantee acceptance into the program.</p>

Additional Information

- Students accepted for entry into the occupational therapy program must complete all outstanding conditions prior to the start date of the program. However, students may be in the process of finishing a small number of courses. Failure to complete the prerequisite courses before the start of the program will result in rescinding admission to the occupational therapy program.
- Students transferring from another occupational therapy program will not be given advance standing.
- Students may take their pre-requisite course work at Cox College or other institutions.



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Once Accepted

Official acceptance letters will be mailed along with forms for the student to read, sign, and return along with information to complete the admissions process. This will include:

- Submitting all official and final transcripts directly to Cox College
 - Submitting a nonrefundable acceptance fee to Cox College which covers expenses including a background check and a drug screen
 - Submitting health form and proof of immunization status as stated in college catalog and student handbook
 - Submitting Basic Life Support for Healthcare Provider card issued from an American Heart Association authorized training facility
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Accepted students are also encouraged to explore [Canvas online learning tutorials](#).

For questions please contact:

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