# Master of Science in **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY CHECKLIST**

## All steps must be completed prior to the following deadline.

**PROGRAM DEADLINE** Fall Entry - March 1st

### **ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST**

- Hold a baccalaureate degree with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 OR 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 of 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 3 3 Statistics\* or equivalent (bio or psych stats) Public Speaking, Speech or equivalent English Composition 3 Medical Terminology 1

\* must be taken within the last 10 years.

These classes may vary by course name depending on the institution. You may be "in progress" of up to two pre-requisite courses in the semester of the application due date. Feel free to contact the Admissions Office at 417-269-3401 or by email at admissions@coxcollege.edu with any questions.

## **MSOT Application Process**

- Complete & submit to the Occupational Therapist Centralized Application Service (OTCAS):
  - Choose Cox College as your institution for attaining the entry-level Master of Science Degree in Occupational Therapy
  - Submit all required documents to OTCAS including:
    - Official transcripts
    - Three (3) professional references (one must be from an occupational therapist)
    - Proof of 15 hours of clinical observation of an occupational therapist
    - Proof of 15 hours (minimum) 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
- Complete & submit the Cox Collége Graduate Application with your \$50 application fee to Cox College Admissions through the website, paper application, or by attending an Open House event.
- Complete your FAFSA application at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Our school code is 013877.
  - Visit www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov for more info on financial aid (Scan QR code).
  - Contact our Financial Aid department at 417.269.3401 for assistance
- Apply for institutional scholarships at coxcollege.edu/scholarships.

The most competitive applicants will be invited via the email address provided in OTCAS for for an online interview with select admissions team members. The select interviews will occur only after OTCAS transcript files have been "verified" - an interview does not guarantee acceptance into the program.

The Cox College Occupational Therapy Program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 6116 Executive Boulevard, Suite 200, North Bethesda, MD 20852-4929. ACOTE's web address is AcoteOnline.org.



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