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Physiotherapy & Occupational Therapy

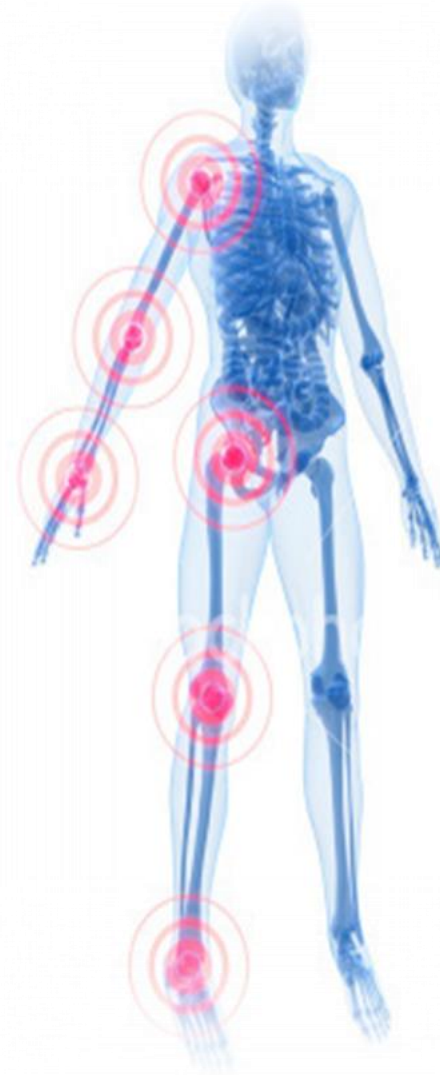
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Physiotherapy vs. Occupational Therapy

	Physiotherapy	Occupational Therapy
Goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Restore movement and mobility• Treats the physical source of the injury (tissues/structures) and helps prevent future injuries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Restore functional abilities• Optimize independence• Does not directly treat the injury
Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assess ability to roll in bed, sit/stand up, maintain balance, walk, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brushing teeth, getting dressed, self-feeding, combing hair, going to the bathroom, etc.• Jobs, hobbies, etc.
Tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stretching, exercise, manipulations, electrical stimulation, heat, cold, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Same, but OTs differ in their approach and overall goal
Setting	Wide range (e.g. Hospital, health centres, homes)	

Application Process

- ▣ Occupational Therapy application process is identical to the application process for Physiotherapy.
- ▣ Apply through ORPAS (Ontario Rehabilitation Sciences Programs Application Service)
 - Create an account: <http://www.ouac.on.ca/orpas/>
 - Non-refundable application fee (\$180)
- ORPAS 2015 Instruction Booklet:
http://www.ouac.on.ca/docs/orpas/b_orpas_e.pdf

Application Process

(Important Dates 2015)

- **Friday, January 10, 2014**
 - Deadline for all application materials
- **Friday, January 16, 2014**
 - Payment deadline
- **Friday January 30, 2014**
 - Deadline for receipt of transcripts
- **Friday, May 15, 2014**
 - Earliest date for offers to admission to PT and OT programs
- **Monday, June 30, 2014**
 - Deadline for receipt of final transcripts



Full list of important dates is available in the ORPAS booklet:

http://www.ouac.on.ca/docs/orpas/b_orpas_e.pdf

Fees for applications?

- The ORPAS processing fee: \$190 + an institutional levy of \$90 for each university selection.
- All fees and levies are **non-refundable**.
- The total fee, including the ORPAS processing fee, is as follows:
 - **One** university \$280
 - **Two** universities \$370
 - **Three** universities \$460
 - **Four** universities \$550
 - **Five** universities \$640



Extra Documentation

- Some Universities/programs may require you to...
 - Answer additional questions
 - Submit an essay
 - All completed within the ORPAS online application
- References
 - Complete confidential assessment form
 - Submit reference letters
- Transcripts
 - Sent from Registrar's Office to ORPAS
 - \$12 per transcript



GPA Calculation

- Each individual grade is converted to its ORPAS equivalent on a 4.0 scale
 - 6.0 credit courses have twice the GPA weight of 3.0 credit
- Calculations for sub-GPA will be completed based on reverse chronological order of courses as listed on the submitted official transcript(s).
- Where grades must be extracted from a term to achieve the equivalent of 10 full courses, **the average of the term will be used.**
- Practicum courses and non-convertible grades (e.g., pass/fail) will not be included in the calculation.

ORPAS GPA Conversion

Undergraduate Grading System
Conversion Table

ORPAS 2014

Échelles de notation
au premier cycle

Type Scale Echelle	Numeric/Numérique		Percentage/Pourcentage				Alpha/Alpha			ORPAS Value Valeur ORPAS
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
4.00	9	8	90-100	93-100	94-100	94-100	A+	A	A+	4.00
3.90			85-89	84-92	87-93	85-93	A			3.90
3.80									A	3.80
3.70	8	7	80-84	75-83	80-86	80-84	A-	A-		3.70
3.30	7	6	77-79	72-74	75-79	75-79	B+	B+	B+	3.30
3.00			73-76	69-71	70-74	70-74	B	B	B	3.00
2.70	6	5	70-72	66-68	65-69	65-69	B-	B-		2.70
2.30	5	4	67-69	64-65	60-64	60-64	C+	C+	C+	2.30
2.00			63-66	62-63	55-59	55-59	C	C	C	2.00
1.70	4	3	60-62	60-61	50-54		C-	C-		1.70
1.30		2	57-59	56-59			D+	D+	D+	1.30
1.00			53-56	53-55		50-54	D	D	D	1.00
0.70			50-52	50-52			D-	D-		0.70
0.00	3	1	≤ 49	≤ 49	≤ 49	≤ 49	E/F	E/F	E/F	0.00

Acadia	7	Guelph	3	Mt. Allison	7	Ryerson	7	Trinity Western	7
Alberta	7	Lakehead	3	Mt. St. Vincent	7	Saskatchewan	3	UBC	3
Algoma	3	Laurentian	3	New Brunswick	7	Sherbrooke	7	UNBC	7
Athabasca	7	Laval	7	Nipissing	3	Simon Fraser	7	UOIT	7
Bishop's	3	Lethbridge	7	Ottawa	7	St. Francis Xavier	3	Victoria	7
Brandon	7	Manitoba	9	Prince Edward	3	St. Mary's	7	Waterloo	3,7
Brock	3	McGill	8	Island	7	St. Thomas	7	Western	3
Calgary	7	McMaster	7	Quebec	7	Ste-Anne	7	Wilfrid Laurier	7
Cape Breton	3	Memorial	6	Queen's	3	Thompson Rivers	7	Windsor	3,7
Carleton	7	Moncton	7	Regina	4,7	Toronto	3,7	Winnipeg	7
Concordia	7	Montreal	7	RMCC/CMRC	7	Trent	3	York	9
Dalhousie	3,7			Royal Roads					

Please note: The above scales are applicable only to current grading schemes.

Physiotherapy Schools in Ontario

- University of Western Ontario
- McMaster University
- University of Toronto
- Queen's University
- University of Ottawa



University of Western Ontario

Faculty of Health Sciences

- Two year program, full time only.
- Admission Requirements:
 - 4-year undergraduate degree
 - 6.0 credits:
 - General/Introductory Science
 - SOSC and/or Liberal Arts
 - 3.0 credits:
 - English or Writing Course (essay component-min. 1500 words)
 - Human/Mammalian/Vertebrate Physiology
 - Statistics/Research Methods/Research Design
 - 2 letters of reference (at least 1 academic reference).
 - Online portion: Complete a 500 words explanation of why the applicant has chosen Physical Therapy as a career and why at Western; Describe strengths, experiences, attributes, leadership skills



University of Western Ontario

Faculty of Health Sciences



- GPA calculated using final 60 credits of study
 - Last 10 full courses or 20 half courses
 - Minimum GPA: Not Specified

GPA Averages

Year	First Round Admission Minimum GPA	Final Round Admission Minimum GPA
2014	3.88	3.81
2013	3.84	3.83
2012	3.82	3.76

- Recommended: experience working with individuals with physical or cognitive limitations
 - E.g. volunteer/paid work in a hospital
- No Interview

McMaster University

School of Rehabilitation Science

- Two year program (25 months continuous).
- Course Prerequisites for MScPT:
 - A full or half credit in one biological or life science course with a grade of B or higher.
 - A full or half credit in one social science or humanities course with a grade of B or higher.
 - Letter of reference not required
- No Majors are favoured.



McMaster University

School of Rehabilitation Science



- **Required GPA:**

- A minimum average of B or 75% or 3.0/4 from the last 60 units of degree
- All applicants who are interviewed are ranked on:
 - Pre-admission sub-GPA (25% of final ranking)
 - Interview Scores (75% of final ranking) to determine final ranking for offers of admission
- Approximately 300 of the top-ranked applicants to each of the programs are invited for a Multiple Mini Interview
- Cut-off GPA for an interview invitation during the previous cycle: 3.76/4.0.

University of Toronto

Department of Physical Therapy

- Two year program
- Prerequisites:
 - 4-year undergraduate degree
 - 6.0 credits:
 - Human/Vertebrate Physiology
 - Life/Physical Sciences (other than Physiology)
 - SOSC/HUMA/Languages
 - 3.0 credits:
 - Statistics/Research Methods
 - 2 letters of reference: 1 academic and 1 professional
- **Changes to 2016 Admission Cycle**
 - This will take effect in the 2016 admission cycle (begin mid-October)
 - They will provide information one year in advance to give applicants time to plan accordingly. Changes are related to the prerequisite requirements
 - <http://www.physicaltherapy.utoronto.ca/admissions/how-to-apply/changes-2016-admissions-cycle>



University of Toronto

Department of Physical Therapy



- **Required GPA:**

- GPA from the 10 most recent completed full courses (or last 20 half courses).
- 2014 Admission GPA Cut-off: 3.76

	Entering Year	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
# Applications		1035	1139	1048	1062	1004	879	984
GPA* Cutoff		3.76	3.75	3.71	3.68	3.63	3.59	3.62
Final Class Size		91	88	87	100	85	84	90
Average GPA* of Incoming Class		3.86	3.85	3.83	3.82	3.76	3.78	3.77

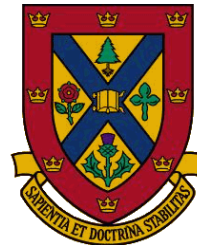
- **Computer Administered Profile:**

- Only top applicants (ranked by marks) are invited to write the CAP.
- Two-hour evaluation assessing personal/life experiences, knowledge of the profession, critical thinking & problem-solving skills
- Corresponds to 40% of enrolment selection (GPA worth 60%)

Queen's University

School of Rehabilitation Medicine

- Two year program, full time only.
- Prerequisites:
 - 4-year Bachelor's degree
 - 3.0 credits:
 - PSYC 1010
 - Statistics
 - Human Anatomy
 - Human Physiology
 - 2 letters of reference: 1 academic and 1 academic/professional.



Queen's
UNIVERSITY

Queen's University

School of Rehabilitation Medicine

- Required Undergraduate GPA:
- Sub-GPA: most recently* completed 10 full (or 20 half) courses
 - Cut-off ≥ 3.55
- Cum-GPA: All years of undergraduate study
- Personal Submission Questions
 - Reasons for choosing PT as career and knowledge of profession
 - Extra-curricular involvement related to PT
 - Other community involvement

http://www.rehab.queensu.ca/prospective.php?id_mnu=13



University of Ottawa

School of Rehabilitation Sciences

- 2 year program.
- Admission Requirements:
 - Must be fluent in French (written and spoken)
 - 6 credits:
 - Anatomy & Physiology
 - 3 credits:
 - Psychology
 - Statistics
- Required GPA:
 - an average of "B "(70 %) or higher
- Volunteer experience or work in counselling over the last three years would be an asset.



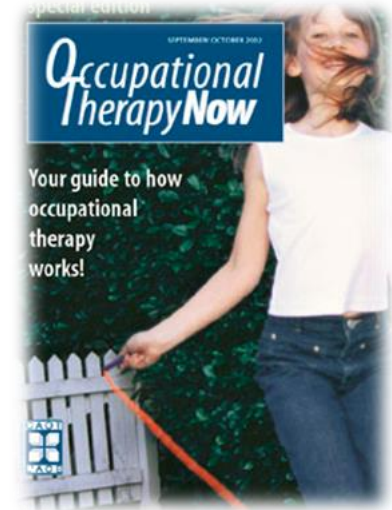
<http://www.grad.uottawa.ca/Default.aspx?tabid=1727&monControl=Admission&ProgId=670>

Canadian Physiotherapy Schools Outside Ontario

- University of British Columbia
- University of Alberta
- University of Saskatchewan
- University of Manitoba
- McGill University
- Université de Montréal
- Université de Sherbrooke
- Université Laval
- Dalhousie University

Occupational Therapy Schools in Ontario

- University of Toronto
- University of Western Ontario
- McMaster University
- Queen's University
- University of Ottawa





University of Toronto

Dep. of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy

- Admissions are determined through academic and non-academic achievement (academics are weighted **more** heavily)
- **Two** year program, full time only
- **Admission Requirements:**
 - 4-year undergraduate degree OR 3-year undergraduate degree with an additional 5 full courses
 - Statement of intent and a resume
 - **No** course prerequisites



University of Toronto

Dep. of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy

- **Recommended** background knowledge in:
 - human growth & development
 - introductory physiology OR introductory human biology
 - psychology
 - sociology OR anthropology
 - statistics & research design
- ✓ **No** interview required
- ✓ **2** Letters of reference: 1 academic and 1 personal



University of Toronto

Dep. of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy

- **Required GPA:**

- Final Year: **Mid-B** (competitive: **A**)
- Initial Ranking: GPA from the most recently completed **10** full courses (as of **Dec 31st**)
- Students in a 3-year program must complete an additional **5** full university courses at the senior level (third and fourth year)
- <http://www.ot.utoronto.ca/ps/admissions.asp>

University of Western Ontario

School of Occupational Therapy



- **Two** year program, full time only
- **Application process:**
 - Completed ORPAS application; official transcripts; personal submission section of the online application
 - **No** interview
- **Prerequisites:**
 - 4-year Bachelor's degree any major
 - **No** course prerequisites and **No** letters of reference

University of Western Ontario

School of Occupational Therapy



- **Required Undergraduate GPA:**
 - GPA from the most recently completed 10 full courses OR 20 half courses (as of Dec 31st)
 - GPA of: **3.5 - 3.7** OR better are considered to be competitive
 - No reference letters required
- http://www.uwo.ca/fhs/ot/programs/msc_ot/application_admission.html

Queen's University

Occupational Therapy Program



- **Two** year program, full time only
- **Admission Requirements:**
 - 4-year Bachelor's degree or equivalent
 - **No** course prerequisites
 - **No** interview
- **Supplementary Documents:**
 - **2** letters of reference: 1 & 1 academic

Queen's University

Occupational Therapy Program



- Statement of Intent (Personal Submission section of the online application)
- Resume
- **Required GPA:**
 - First cut-off: applicant-pool-dependent minimum GPA for all undergraduate years (**typically 3.0 or higher**)
 - Second cut-off: assessment of the candidate's Confidential Assessment Forms and Statement of Intent
- http://www.rehab.queensu.ca/prospective.php?id_mnu=7

University of Ottawa

Occupational Therapy Program



- Two year program.
- **Admission Requirements:**
 - Must be fluent in French (written and spoken)
 - 6 credits:
 - Psychology
 - 3 credits:
 - Statistics
 - Sociology
 - Anatomy
- **Required GPA:**
 - An average of "B "(70 %) or higher

University of Ottawa

Occupational Therapy Program



- **Experience:**
 - Experience working or volunteering involving skills of helping relationships, and that over the last three years is positive
- <http://www.grad.uottawa.ca/Default.aspx?tabid=1727&monControl=Admission&ProgId=672>

McMaster University

School of Rehabilitation Sciences



- 4-year baccalaureate degree (120 units/credits) or equivalent
- **Academic Requirements:**
 - **3.0 GPA (or a “B”)** calculated over last 60 credits
 - GPA is calculated in the final **two** years (or in the last 10 full-course equivalents)
 - **No** prerequisites required
 - The cut-off was 3.48/4.00 in 2012 and 3.60/4.00 in 2013.

McMaster University

School of Rehabilitation Sciences



- **Other Requirements:**
 - All eligible applicants are ranked solely on the basis of their GPA
 - **Requires** an interview
 - **All** applicants who are interviewed are ranked on a combination of:
 - ...pre admission sub-GPA (25% of final ranking)...
 - ...interview scores (75% of final ranking) to determine the final ranking for offers of admission...
- <http://www.srs-mcmaster.ca/Admissions/OTPT/DomesticApplicants/AdmissionRequirements/tabid/533/Default.aspx>

Canadian Occupational Therapy Outside Ontario

- University of British Columbia
- University of Alberta
- University of Manitoba
- Université de Montréal
- McGill University
- Université Laval
- Université de Sherbrooke
- Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières
- Dalhousie University



Summary of Ontario Schools

University	Program	Positions 2013	Applicants 2013	Prerequisites	Minimum Academic Requirements	Letters of Reference	Transcripts Required	Other
<i>Université</i>	<i>Programme</i>	<i>Places 2013</i>	<i>Candidatures rentrée 2013</i>	<i>Préalables</i>	<i>Exigences académiques minimales</i>	<i>Lettres de références</i>	<i>Relevés de notes requis</i>	<i>Autre</i>
McMaster	Occupational Therapy	65 (including international)	1,186	None	Four-year baccalaureate degree (120 units/credits) or equivalent; minimum GPA of 75 percent based on last 60 units	N/A	University; college	TOEFL score (if applicable); if applying to both programs (OT & PT), see McMaster's instructions on page 28 of this booklet
	Occupational Therapy International	Up to 6						TOEFL score (if applicable); CV/resumé; Letter of Introduction/Statement of Interest; if applying to both programs (OT & PT), see McMaster's instructions on page 28 of this booklet
Queen's	Occupational Therapy	70	686	No prerequisites for Queen's OT program	Four-year baccalaureate degree	One academic and one academic or professional	University; CEGEP	Resumé; Statement of Intent (personal submissions); two Confidential Assessment forms; TOEFL, MELAB or IELTS score (if applicable)

Summary of Ontario Schools

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Université	Programme	Places 2013	Candidatures rentrée 2013	Préalables	Exigences académiques minimales	Lettres de références	Relevés de notes requis	Autre
Toronto	Occupational Therapy	89	812	None. Prior study in Statistics, Physiology/Biology (vertebrate), and Psychology may enhance students' learning in the program	Applicants must have completed an appropriate bachelor's degree with high academic standing from a recognized university,	One academic; one professional	CEGEP; university	Statement of Intent; Confidential Assessment forms; resumé; TOEFL score (if applicable)
	Physical Therapy	85	1,139	One full course equivalent in Human/Vertebrate Physiology; one full course equivalent in Life and/or Physical Sciences; one full course in Social Science and/or Humanities and/or Language; half course in Statistics or Research Methods	with a mid-"B" average or better in the final year (i.e., five full-course equivalents at the senior level)	One academic; one professional	CEGEP; university	Computer-Administered Profile (CAP) written on-site April 26, 2014; Prerequisites; TOEFL score (if applicable)
	Speech-Language Pathology	50	387	Half course in Child Development; half course in Phonetics; half course in General Linguistics; one full course in Statistics; and one full course in Human Physiology/Anatomy	Four-year undergraduate degree with a minimum mid-"B" in final year	Two academic; one clinical	CEGEP; university	Statement of Intent; Prerequisites; Minimum 14 hours clinical experience; TOEFL, MELAB or IELTS score (if applicable)
Western	Occupational Therapy	55	816	None	Four-year university undergraduate degree from a recognized university	None	CEGEP; university	TOEFL or IELTS score (if applicable); Personal submission
	Physical Therapy	55	957	One full course (or two half courses) in Science; one full course (or any two half course combinations) in Social Science or Liberal Arts; a half course in each of Human/Mammalian/Vertebrate Physiology, English or Writing, and Statistics or Research Methods	Four-year baccalaureate degree with high academics standing from a recognized university	Two (one academic)	CEGEP; university	Prerequisites; TOEFL or IELTS score (if applicable)

Employment Opportunities

- Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy are both practiced in a wide range of settings including:
 - Hospitals
 - Health centres
 - Homes
 - Clinics

Helpful Links

- **PT:**

- <http://www.uwo.ca/fhs/>
- <http://www.srs-mcmaster.ca/>
- <http://www.physicaltherapy.utoronto.ca/prospect/application.htm>
- <http://www.queensu.ca/pmr/index.html>
- <http://www.grad.uottawa.ca/Default.aspx?tabid=1727&monControl=Admission&ProgId=670>

- **OT:**

- <http://www.ot.utoronto.ca/ps/admissions.asp>
- http://www.uwo.ca/fhs/ot/programs/msc_ot/application_admission.html
- http://www.rehab.queensu.ca/prospective.php?id_mnu=7
- <http://www.grad.uottawa.ca/Default.aspx?tabid=1727&monControl=Admission&ProgId=672>
- <http://www.srs-mcmaster.ca/Admissions/OTPT/DomesticApplicants/AdmissionRequirements/tabid/533/Default.aspx>
- <http://www.caot.ca/default.asp?pageid=151>

- **Important to read:**

- http://www.ouac.on.ca/docs/orpas/b_orpas_e.pdf
- http://www.ouac.on.ca/docs/orpas/c_orpas_b.pdf

To consider before applying to PT and OT programs:



- Become familiar with the application procedures for **each** university/ program to which you are applying.
- It is your responsibility to ensure that the application, and all required documentation, is received at ORPAS by the published **deadlines**.
- The processing of an application may be **delayed** until all required transcripts and documentation are received as specified by the universities.

The End

Thank you for coming out to the seminar, and be sure to check out:

What can I do with a Engineering Degree?

- Wed Feb 25, 5:30 pm

Careers in the Health Care Field

- Wed, Mar. 4, 5:30 pm

