Pre-Occupational Therapy (OT) Advising

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| Area A – Essential Skills | ENGL 1101 and ENGL 1102 (English Comp I & II)  
MATH 1111 (College Algebra) or MATH 1113 |
| Area B – Institutional Option | ITEC 1001 (Introduction to Computing) |
| Area C – Humanities/Arts | ARTS 1100 or ENGL 2111 or ENGL 2112 or ENGL 2121 or ENGL 2122 or ENGL 2131 or ENGL 2132 or FILM 1005 or MUSC 1100 or THEA 1100 or RELN 1100 or GEOG 1101 or one 2000-level foreign language |
| Area D – Science, Mathematics, and Technology | *CHEM 1211K and 1212K or CHEM 1151K and CHEM 1152K  
ITEC 2110 or ITEC 2120 |
| Area E – Social Sciences | POLS 1101 (American Government)  
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112 (Survey of United States History I & II)  
HIST 1111 or 1112 or 1121 or 1122 or 2111 or 2112 (if not above)  
SOCI 1101 or ANTH 1102 |
| Course required for admissions to most OT programs | PSYC 1102 (Introduction to Psychology)  
PSYC 2400 (Abnormal Psychology)  
PSYC 2500 (Lifespan Developmental Psychology)  
BIOL 2451K and BIOL 2452K (Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II w/ Lab) or BIOL 3010K and BIOL 3020K  
Medical Terminology – not offered at GGC (may be taken at Gwinnett Technical College or elsewhere as a transient student)  
MATH 2000 (Statistics)  
*PHYS 1111K (MATH 1113 is a prerequisite) for some programs  
*PHIL 2010 for Brenau OTD program |

*Students are strongly advised to check with the program they plan to apply to for specific prerequisites.

Entrance exam requirements:
Check with the program(s) you plan on applying to for requirements regarding an entrance exam, as some programs may require the Graduate Records Examination (GRE) and some may not.

What factors are considered in the admission process for OT programs?
1. The successful completion of the prerequisites for the program; not all programs require a Bachelor’s degree, but completing a Bachelor’s degree is highly recommended
2. Overall GPA (this includes all coursework attempted except for health, PE, orientation, and learning support).
3. A science GPA (this includes all science courses such as chemistry, physics, and human anatomy & physiology).
4. OT shadowing and volunteer or life experience with individuals who have disabilities
5. Letters of recommendation
6. Writing sample

Students should visit the American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc. (aota.org) website for valuable information on the process of becoming an occupational therapist (or an occupational therapy assistant).

Doctoral and Master degree OT Programs in Georgia
1. Augusta University [https://www.augusta.edu/alliedhealth/ot/admissions.php](https://www.augusta.edu/alliedhealth/ot/admissions.php)
2. Brenau University [https://www.brenau.edu/healthsciences/occupationaltherapy/msot/](https://www.brenau.edu/healthsciences/occupationaltherapy/msot/)
3. Georgia State University [https://occupationaltherapy.gsu.edu/](https://occupationaltherapy.gsu.edu/)