

RESEARCH IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (PHD)

Department Website (<https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/departments/occupational-therapy/>)

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Program Description

NYU Steinhardt’s Doctor of Philosophy in Research in Occupational Therapy provides occupational therapists with the knowledge and skills to work in the profession as researchers, scholars, and educators. Students will take courses in advanced occupational therapy and other disciplines across NYU. Founded in 1973, the degree was the first PhD of its kind in the world.

Admissions

Admission to graduate programs in the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development requires the following minimum components:

- Résumé/CV
- Statement of Purpose
- Letters of Recommendation
- Transcripts
- Proficiency in English

See NYU Steinhardt’s Graduate Admissions website (<https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/admissions/how-apply/graduate-students/>) for additional information on school-wide admission. Some programs may require additional components for admissions.

See How to Apply (<https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/degree/phd-occupational-therapy/how-apply/>) for admission requirements and instructions specific to this program.

Program Requirements

Occupational therapists holding a master’s degree take a total of 52 credits, including course work, and complete a dissertation. New York University graduates with a master’s degree in post-professional occupational therapy must complete a minimum of 42 credits and write a dissertation. Full-time or part-time study is available.

Course	Title	Credits
Major Requirements		
<i>Department Core</i>		
OT-GE 2762	Theoretical Foundations for Intervention	3
OT-GE 2763	Developing a Guideline for Intervention	3
OT-GE 2764	Ethics & Analytical Reasoning	3
<i>Cognate Courses</i>		
Select 6 credits of Cognate by advisement		6
<i>Foundations</i>		
Select 6 credits of Foundations by advisement		6
<i>Departmental Seminar</i>		
OT-GE 3406	Departmental Sem: Ot	3
<i>Dissertation Proposal Seminar</i>		

RESCH-GE 3001	Dissertation Proposal Seminar	3
<i>Research Course</i>		
Select 3 credits in Research Design specific to the dissertation		3
<i>Dissertation Related Courses</i>		
Select 15 credits by advisement		15
<i>Occupational Therapy Doctoral Colloquium</i>		
OT-GE 3408	Doctoral Colloq in Ot	1
Electives		
Other Elective Credits (by advisement)		6
Total Credits		52

Sample Plan of Study

Course	Title	Credits
1st Semester/Term		
OT-GE 2762	Theoretical Foundations for Intervention	3
Foundations Course		3
Foundations Course		3
Credits		9
2nd Semester/Term		
OT-GE 2763	Developing a Guideline for Intervention	3
OT-GE 2764	Ethics & Analytical Reasoning	3
Cognate Course		3
Credits		9
3rd Semester/Term		
OT-GE 3406	Departmental Sem: Ot	3
Research Methods/Design Course		3
Dissertation-Related Course		3
Credits		9
4th Semester/Term		
Dissertation-Related Course		3
Dissertation-Related Course		3
Cognate Course		3
Credits		9
5th Semester/Term		
Dissertation-Related Course		3
Dissertation-Related Course		3
OT-GE 3408	Doctoral Colloq in Ot	1
RESCH-GE 3001	Dissertation Proposal Seminar	3
Credits		10
6th Semester/Term		
Dissertation-Related Course		3
Dissertation-Related Course		3
OT-GE 3408	Doctoral Colloq in Ot	0
Credits		6
Total Credits		52

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will:

1. Demonstrate mastery of a selected body of information that is fundamental to the student’s doctoral dissertation and ability to conduct a scientific inquiry.
2. Identify and present cutting-edge questions regarding the professional body of knowledge related to the student’s area of research.
3. Deliver a lecture in an area of interest/expertise for OT class or other professional forum.

Policies

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

Steinhardt Academic Policies

Additional academic policies can be found the Steinhardt academic policies page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/graduate/culture-education-human-development/academic-policies/>).