#### **Our Mission**

The mission of the School of Health Technology and Management is to provide the highest quality education in a multidisciplinary learning environment that fosters research, scholarly activity, critical thinking, evidence—based practice, leadership, and professionalism, while affirming the importance of ethical behavior, human diversity, service, and a team approach to health care. To achieve this, the School endeavors to:

- promote patient health and well being by teaching the knowledge, attitudes, and skills needed to ensure excellence in practice;
- encourage innovative and responsible methods of managing and delivering high quality, cost-effective, accessible health care;
- respond to current and emerging public health challenges both locally and globally; and
- cultivate partnerships among faculty, staff, students, and communities.



#### **Occupational Therapy Program**

For more information: www.AOTA.org www.NBCOT.org www.op.nysed.gov/prof/OT

#### **Occupational Therapy**

Occupational Therapy helps people live life to its fullest. It does this by helping people of all ages who have suffered an illness, injury or some form of debilitation relearn the skills of daily living. By focusing on the physical, psychological and social needs of its patients, OT helps people function at the highest possible level, concentrating on what's important to them to rebuild their health, independence and self-esteem.

Occupational therapists are specially trained and credentialed in the field and rely on evidence-based best practices and science-driven data to constantly improve patient outcomes. In an era where consumers want to increasingly be empowered and maximize life's potential, more and more people are recognizing the value of occupational therapy and as a result the field is expected to grow significantly over the coming years.

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#### **Occupational Therapy Program**

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# OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY — Living life to its fullest

# Occupational Therapy Program Leading to a BS/MS Degree

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The Occupational Therapy program is multi-award, three-year program, accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE)\* of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA). Applicants apply for Junior Year entry. Upon successful completion of the program, Graduates receive a BS Health Sciences / MS Occupational Therapy Degree.

Occupational Therapy graduates will be able to sit for the national certification examination for occupational therapists administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT).

After successful completion of this exam, an individual will be a registered Occupational Therapist (OTR). Most states require licensure in order to practice, however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT certification examination.

## Why Stony Brook's Occupational Therapy Program?

- √ Affordable tuition
- ✓ Individualized faculty advisement
- √ Wide availability of clinical sites for fieldwork
- ✓ Opportunities to collaborate with faculty in research.
- √ High pass rate on the NBCOT exam
- √ Small class size
- √ Diverse faculty expertise

\*Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education 4720 Montgomery Lane Bethesda, MD 20814—3425 301-652-2682

#### ☐ Admission Requirements

### Minimum of 57 college credits are required, with a minimum of 2.5 overall GPA.

These credits must include:

- 20 credits of natural sciences for science majors. Courses must include labs and have been completed within the last ten years:
  - 8 credits of Biology\*
  - 4 credits of Chemistry
  - 4 credits of Physics
  - 4 credits of Anatomy\*

\*If <u>Anatomy and Physiology I and II</u> have been taken, they will be accepted as 4 credits of BIO and 4 credits of Anatomy.

- 6 credits of Arts and Humanities
- 9 credits of Social and Behavioral Science to include:
  - Introduction to Psychology (required)
  - Abnormal Psychology (required)
  - Intro to Sociology or Intro to Anthropology
- 3 credits of English composition or expository writing
- 3 credits of Statistics
- Electives to equal a minimum of 57 credits
- CPR and First Aid Certifications
- 40 hours of volunteer or work experience observing an occupational therapist in two different settings. All 40 hours must be documented prior to admissions interview. For example, volunteer pre-requisites may be fulfilled in a combination of out-patient rehabilitation, developmental disabilities, nursing homes, or school-based, psychosocial or acute care settings — 50 % of hours must be at a site other than the applicant's place of employment.
- ARTS AND HUMANITIES courses includes music, art, literature, language (intermediate level or above), philosophy, ethics, logic, religion, and theater study. Performance courses are not accepted (chorus, ballet, ceramics, photography, or acting).
- GPA A MINIMUM overall 2.5 GPA with a minimum 2.5 Natural Science and a 2.5 Science GPA are required to apply. PREFERENCE is given to applicants with an overall GPA of 3.0 AND minimum Science and Natural Science GPAs of 2.5.

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# □ Suggested Prerequisite Sciences for Stony Brook Students only

- BIO 202, 203 (3 credits each) <u>and</u>
  BIO 204 (2 credits) <u>or</u> BIO 205 (2 credits)
- Chemistry 131, 133 <u>OR</u> 129, 130 and 133
- Physics 121, 123 OR 131, 133 OR 113, 115
- ANP 300 Human Anatomy (4 credits)

#### □ Applications

Applications are available online for July admittance in the Occupational Therapy Program. For further details about applications, please visit the following website:

#### WWW.OTCAS.org

Application deadline is February 1

#### Information Sessions and Advisement

Information Sessions will review the admission requisites and program requirements. Individuals may meet with a representative from the Occupational Therapy faculty for individual advisement. No appointment is necessary. Please bring copies of your college transcripts.

## Information Sessions are held on the following Wednesdays at 3 pm:

01/16/13 02/20/13 03/20/13	05/15/13 06/19/13 07/17/13	09/18/13 10/16/13 11/13/13			
			04/17/13	08/21/13	12/11/13

#### Check website for any changes to information session dates

Information sessions meet in Room 2-121, Level 2 of the Health Sciences Center. Please follow the directional signs which are posted throughout the University Medical Center and the Health Sciences Center on the day of the Information Session.