

Occupational therapists assist individuals across the lifespan to develop, improve, sustain or restore daily living, work or productivity and play or leisure by using meaningful and healthy occupations. At the University of Findlay, the Doctor of Occupational Therapy Program prepares students to not only practice occupational therapy, but also fulfill leadership roles and advanced positions in the field.

Our program embodies principles of human occupation and incorporates community-based experiences and service learning to prepare occupational therapists who understand and value a community-focused and occupation-based approach to practice, and participate in ongoing professional development in preparation for service in diverse communities.

#### **Accreditation Statement**

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#### **Program Highlights**

**Doctoral Experience** - OTD students complete Doctoral Experience rotations, which provide students with opportunities to enhance their skills and expertise in specific areas of interest in clinical practice, administration, advocacy, research, and/or education.

**OT Adaptive Living House** - Students gain the knowledge and skills that are required to adapt home environments and devices that support individuals' day-to-day activities.

**Three-Year Program** - The OTD Program is a three-year, post-baccalaureate program designed to be completed in nine consecutive semesters, including summers, with fieldwork integrated throughout the academic program. The third year of the curriculum consists of Level II Fieldwork and Doctoral Capstone Experience and Project.

**Early Assurance** - High school seniors have the option to apply for the Early Assurance Program, which holds a seat for them in the OTD Program while they complete their bachelor's degree at Findlay.



#### Sample Curriculum

#### Admission Requirements

Students wishing to apply for admission to the OTD Program must have completed the following admission criteria:

- Minimum overall grade point average of 3.0
- Fifty hours of observation or volunteer experience
- Completion of baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution
- Completion of the Occupational Therapy Central Application Service (OTCAS) application.
- Three satisfactory professional recommendations

#### Prerequisite Courses

Candidates must also have completed the following prerequisite courses with a "C" or better prior to beginning the program

 BIOL 201 & BIOL 201L Introduction to Anatomy & Physiology w/ Lab

OR

BIOL 222 & BIOL 222L Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions I w/ Lab AND

BIOL 223 & BIOL 223L Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions II w/ Lab

 PHYS 150 & PHYS 150L Conceptual Physics w/ Lab

- HEPR 220 Medical Terminology
- PSYC 100 General Psychology
- PSYC 208 Lifespan Development
- PSYC 233 Abnormal Psychology
- MATH 221 Integrated Statistical Analysis OR MATH 223 Applied Statistics & Data Analysis OR

**BSLA 314 Applied Statistics** 

• SOCI 105 Introduction to Sociology

#### Professional Curriculum Courses

- Conceptual Foundations of Occupational Therapy
- Analysis of Human Occupations
- Human Anatomical Structures
- Health Conditions and Occupational Performance
- Analysis & Assessment of Contextual Movement
- Clinical Practice in OT I: Concepts, Phil & Client-Ctr. Care
- Research in Occupational Therapy
- Clinical Practice in OT II: Biopsychosocial
- Evidence Based Practice
- Neuroscience
- Prof. & Contextual Issues in OT Practice I: Change Agent
- Prof & Contextual Issues in OT Practice II: Roles & Resp.
- Essentials of OT Practice I: Group Dynamics
- Research in Action I
- Professional & Contextual Issues in OT Practice III: Cultural Comp.
- Essentials of OT Practice II: Contemp. Instr. Strategies
- Research in Action II
- Doctoral Experience Orientation and Preparation I
- Level I Fieldwork in Occupational Therapy A

- Clinical Practice in OT III: Pediatrics
- Professional & Contextual Issues in OT Practice IV: Populations
- Research in Action III
- Clinical Practice in OT IV: Adult
- Doctoral Project
- Doctoral Experience Orientation and Preparation
- Level I Fieldwork in Occupational Therapy C
- Essentials of OT Practice IV: Community, Health & Wellness
- Research in Action IV
- Level I Fieldwork in Occupational Therapy B
- Essentials of OT Practice III: Theories, Context & Evidence
- Clinical Practice in OT V: Geriatrics
- Essentials of OT Practice V: Mgmt. & Leadership
- Occupational Therapy Level II Fieldwork A
- Occupational Therapy Level II Fieldwork B
- Doctoral Capstone: Experience
- Doctoral Capstone: Project

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Exercise science is an interdisciplinary field focused on the study of maintaining and improving the health of patients and clients across the lifespan. The Exercise Science for Health Professions (EXSC) Program is designed to prepare undergraduate students for entry into a wide variety of disciplines, particularly health professions graduate programs. Our curriculum places a high emphasis on comprehensive biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics and anatomy courses, giving students the foundational knowledge required to excel at the graduate level in healthcare professions.

The University of Findlay has created a clear path from the EXSC Program to the Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD) Program with research and experiential learning opportunities that directly relate to occupational therapy. In four years, students studying exercise science will earn a bachelor's degree in Exercise Science for Health Professions and may go on to pursue a doctoral degree in occupational therapy which is a three-year program. A doctoral degree in occupational therapy prepares students to not only practice occupational therapy, but also fulfill leadership roles and advanced positions in the field.

#### Evidence of Excellence

**Variety of Electives** - Choose electives that align with your future interests. Course topics offered include: exercise physiology, biomechanics and motor control, rehabilitation fields or exercise science related research.

**Experiential Learning** - Participate in laboratory coursework centered around exercise and sports science areas, including biomechanics and exercise physiology.

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#### **Exercise Science to OTD Sample Curriculum**

#### Year 1

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
General Chemistry I w/ lab+	4 hrs	General Chemistry II w/ lab	4 hrs
Pre-Calculus+	4 hrs	Medical Terminology*	3 hrs
College Writing II	3 hrs	General Psychology*	3 hrs
Wellness: Strategies for Life+	2 hrs	Introduction to Sociology*	3 hrs
Introduction to Health Professions+	1 hr	Introduction to Exercise Technique	1 hr

#### Year 2

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Anatomy & Physiology I w/ lab*	4 hrs	Anatomy & Physiology II w/ lab	4 hrs
Integrated Statistics	3 hrs	Lifespan Development*	3 hrs
Exercise Science Elective	3 hrs	Exercise Science Elective	3 hrs
CORE+ Elective	3 hrs	CORE+ Elective	3 hrs
CORE+ Elective	3 hrs	CORE+ Elective	3 hrs

#### Year 3

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
General Physics I w/ lab+*	4 hrs	General Physics II w/ lab	4 hrs
Abnormal Psychology*	3 hrs	Biomechanics	3 hrs
CORE+ Elective	3 hrs	Perceptual Motor Development & Learning	3 hrs
Physiology of Exercise	3 hrs	CORE+ Elective	3 hrs
		Research in Health and Human Performance	3 hrs

#### Year 4

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Research in Health & Human Performance	3 hrs	Experiential Learning in	
Human Nutrition	3 hrs	Health & Human Performance+	3 hrs
CORE+ Elective	3 hrs	Exercise Science Elective	3 hrs
Minor, Second Major, or Prerequisite	3 hrs	CORE+ Elective	3 hrs
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<sup>\*</sup>Indicates the required OTD Program prerequisite courses.

#### Early Assurance

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- Minimum overall GPA of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- 25 or higher on the ACT or 1200 or higher on the SAT

For more information regarding the early assurance requirements, please visit www.findlay.edu/OTD.

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<sup>+</sup>Indicates courses that fulfill CORE+ general education requirements.



From the beginning of time, humans have been fascinated with why and how people behave the way they do. Psychologists, through interactions and their research, seek to answer these questions and apply their findings to help people describe, predict and change their own and others' cognitive, emotional and physical behaviors.

The University of Findlay has created a clear path from the Psychology Program to the College of Health Profession's Doctor of Occupational Therapy Program (OTD) with research and experiential learning opportunities that directly relate to occupational therapy. In four years, students will earn a bachelor's degree in psychology and may go on to pursue a doctoral degree in occupational therapy which is a three-year program. A doctoral degree in occupational therapy prepares students to not only practice occupational therapy, but also fulfill leadership roles and advanced positions in the field.

# Our program blends strong science and applied courses that prepare students for work or graduate study.

- Provides access to numerous labs dedicated to research in the psychological sciences
- Provides opportunities for joint research study with faculty members
- Allows students to complete credit hours of experiential learning that is customized to their personal interests
- Offers a psychology major that can be combined with minors to broaden skills and career opportunities

#### **Evidence of Excellence**

Flexible Career Paths - Available with 56 recognized sub-disciplines of psychology leading to a wide variety of career opportunities.

Graduate School Preparation - Findlay has an entire course dedicated to preparing students for the graduate school application process.

Present Research - Students have the opportunity to present their results at both national and regional conferences.

90 Hours of Internships - The Psychology Program offers many learning opportunities that include work experience through internships.

# The undergraduate major in psychology emphasizes:

- Critical thinking
- Positive interaction with others
- Communication
- Analyzing
- Writing
- Synthesizing



#### Psychology Sample Curriculum

#### Psychology Core Required Courses (32 credit hours required)

General Psychology+ Orientation to Psychology	3 hrs 1 hr	Community-Urban Field Experiences Cognitive Psychology	2 hrs 3 hrs
Lifespan Development	3 hrs	Brain and Behavior	3 hrs
Abnormal Psychology	3 hrs	Research Methods II: Experimentation	4 hrs
Social Psychology	3 hrs	Senior Capstone Seminar+	3 hrs
Research Methods I: Design and Analysis	4 hrs		

#### Psychology Elective Courses (15 credit hours required)

Health Psychology	3 hrs	History of Psychology	3 hrs
Studies in Behavior	2 to 4 hrs	Evolutionary Psychology	3 hrs
Readings in Psychology	1 to 3 hrs	Sensation and Perception	3 hrs
Animal Behavior	3 hrs	Child and Adolescent Development	3 hrs
Theories of Personality	3 hrs	Advanced Topics in Psychology	2 to 4 hrs
Clinical Psychology	3 hrs	Seminar	1 to 4 hrs
Applied Sport Psychology	3 hrs	Psychological Research*	variable hrs

#### **Doctor of Occupational Therapy Program Prerequisites**

- Introduction to Anatomy & Physiology w/ Lab
   OR Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions I w/
   Lab AND Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions II w/ Lab
- Conceptual Physics w/ Lab
- Medical Terminology

- General Psychology
- Lifespan Development
- Abnormal Psychology
- Integrated Statistical Analysis OR Applied Statistics & Data Analysis OR Applied Statistics
- Introduction to Sociology

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In order to maintain early assurance candidacy status, students will be required to:

- Meet with an identified OT advisor once per semester to ensure that the student maintains the requirements of the Early Assurance Program.
- Have all OTD Program prerequisites completed by the end of their senior year.
- Complete and submit the intent to enroll application and the OT advisor verification of status during the application cycle prior to their intended start date.

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Regardless of the work setting, social workers help to improve the quality of life for clients. Social work is a diverse and challenging profession whose practitioners are found in a variety of settings. The Social Work Program will expose you to the knowledge, values and skills that comprise the foundation of the social work profession. The undergraduate major in social work emphasizes social service policy, human behavior in social environments, social work methods, and research.

The University of Findlay has created a clear path from the Social Work Program to the Doctor of Occupational Therapy Program with coursework, research and experiential learning opportunities that directly relate to occupational therapy. In four years, students studying social work earn a bachelor's degree in social work and may apply to go on to pursue a degree in occupational therapy, which is a three-year program. A doctoral degree in occupational therapy prepares students to not only practice occupational therapy, but also fulfill leadership roles and advanced positions in the field.

#### **Program Highlights**

Internships arranged with help from faculty members are built into the social work course structure, helping you gain experience in a variety of settings.

Social work students have an 89 percent pass rate on the licensure exam and are able to meet all requirements to obtain that professional licensure immediately upon graduation.

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#### Social Work to Doctor of Occupational Therapy Sample Curriculum

## Year One

+Indicates courses that fulfill CORE+ general education requirements.

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Intro to Social Work+	3 hrs	Contemporary Social Problems+	3 hrs
College Writing I	3 hrs	College Writing II	3 hrs
Political Science, History or Public Admin.+	3 hrs	Human Diversity in America or Ethnicity+	3 hrs
General Psychology+	3 hrs	Intro to Health Professions	1 hr
Principles of Speech+	3 hrs	Practical Perspectives in Math+	3 hrs
Intermediate Mathematics	3 hrs	Lifespan Development	3 hrs
Year Two			

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Field Placement I+	4 hrs	Intro to Economical Thinking+	3 hrs
Writing and Literature+	3 hrs	Elective+	3 hrs
Intro to Philosophy+	3 hrs	Intro to Anatomy & Physiology+	3 hrs
Elementary Statistics	3 hrs	Research Methods I: Design & Analysis	4 hrs
Abnormal Psychology	3 hrs	Intro to Computers+	3 hrs

#### Year 3

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Human Behavior I	3 hrs	Human Behavior II	3 hrs
Social Policy	3 hrs	Social Work Practice I	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs	Interviewing Skills	2 hrs
Research Methods II: Experimentation	4 hrs	Brain and Behavior	3 hrs
Conceptual Physics w/Lab	4 hrs	Psychological Research	3 hrs
		Cognitive Psychology	3 hrs

#### Year 4

Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Social Work Practice II	3 hrs	Field Instruction II	12 hrs
Social Work Practice III	3 hrs	Research Project	3 hrs
Sensation and Perception	3 hrs	Integrative Seminar	3 hrs
Psychological Research	3 hrs		
Medical Terminology	3 hrs		

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- PHYS 150 & PHYS 150L Conceptual Physics w/ Lab
- HEPR 220 Medical Terminology
- PSYC 100 General Psychology

- PSYC 208 Lifespan Development
- PSYC 233 Abnormal Psychology
- MATH 221 Integrated Statistical Analysis MATH 223 Applied Statistics & Data Analysis
  - BSLA 314 Applied Statistics
- SOCI 105 Introduction to Sociology

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Occupational therapists can help children develop motor skills and hand-eye coordination, learn basic tasks, maintain positive behaviors, and improve focus and social skills. Working with children who have physical, sensory, or cognitive disabilities is a highly rewarding field that requires a unique skillset. To more easily acquire this set of skills, the University of Findlay offers a clear path from the College of Education's Intervention Specialist Mild to Moderate Program to the College of Health Profession's Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD) Program.

In four years, students earn a bachelor's degree in intervention specialist education and then go on to pursue the three-year doctoral degree in occupational therapy. The pathway curriculum includes the OTD prerequisites as well as education courses that cover teaching methodologies and instructional practices for students with special needs. Students learn how to creatively work with children of all ages through intervention specialist field experiences and earn licensure as a K-12 intervention specialist.

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#### Evidence of Excellence

The College of Education is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

Experiential Learning - Students will be placed in classrooms each year of the program and supervised by clinical faculty holding an Intervention Specialist teaching license.



#### Intervention Specialist Education to OTD Sample Curriculum

#### Year One

Fall Semester  Oiler Experience for Education Majors Teaching as a Profession Inclusion & Collaboration Issues for Educators Principles of Speech + Digital Literacy for Educators + General Psychology * +	1 hr 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs	Spring Semester  Phonics & Foundations of Literacy Technology Integration: Instructional Strategies College Writing I Introduction to Philosophy + Applied Statistics & Data Analysis * Lifespan Development *	3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs
Year Two			
Fall Semester  • Emergent Literacy: Learning to Read  • Growth & Development  • Pre-Professional Block  • Implications of Brain Research  • Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions I w/ Lab *  • Writing & Literature +	3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 4 hrs 3 hrs	Spring Semester  S.T.E.M. Concepts Through Children's & Early Adolescent Literature  Ethnicity +  Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions II w/ Lab*  Oceanus +  Creative Drama +  Abnormal Psychology *	3 hrs 3 hrs 4 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs
Year Three		Abhormari sychology	5 1113
Fall Semester  Families of Children w/ Special Needs  Implications of Mild/Moderate Exceptionalities for Curriculum  Collaboration & Consultation for the Intervention Specialist  Integrated Math Methods/Curriculum  Integrated Language Arts Methods/Curriculum  Medical Terminology *	3 hrs	Spring Semester  • Junior/Methods Field Experience  • Literacy w/ Special Needs Populations  • Content Reading: Learning to Read  • Curriculum Considerations & Teaching Strategies  • Assessment & Intervention  • Social Skill Development & Positive Behavior Supports	3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs
Year Four			
Fall Semester  • Daily Living Skills, Vocational Education & Transition  • Integrating Reading Assessments & Instruction  • Introduction to Sociology *  • Topics in Social Work +  • Conceptual Physics w/ Lab*+	3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 4 hrs	Spring Semester  • Senior Internship/Student Teaching  • Capstone Seminar for Intervention Specialist +  • CORE+ Elective +  • CORE+ Elective +	9 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs 3 hrs

#### \*Indicates the OTD Program prerequisite

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# Your Career as an Occupational Therapist...

What are Your Possibilities?

Take a look at these websites to view just a sample of what you could be doing.

• OT Practice: Pediatrics

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qY\_JKPt7spc

Best Careers 2019: OT Job Description

https://money.usnews.com/careers/best-jobs/occupational-therapist

• A Day in the Life - Occupational Therapist

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l9idxN2-Lp8

Social Network at http://www.facebook.com

SEARCH The University of Findlay Occupational Therapy Program

The American Occupational Therapy Association

http://www.aota.org

ANY QUESTIONS? 419-434-6936 occupationaltherapy@findlay.edu

Resources for students from The American Occupational Therapy Association

# Your career in Occupational Therapy

# Consider Becoming an Occupational Therapist

Young or old, we all have a job to do—the job of living. Learning, growing, playing, working, managing our homes, and caring for our families are among the "occupations" of life.

Unfortunately, physical, emotional, or other challenges often prevent people from fully participating in the job of living. Disease, injury, depression, or developmental problems can make it difficult for people to do everyday tasks or be active and independent.

Occupational therapy—a vibrant, growing profession—makes it possible for people to achieve independence and to enjoy life to its fullest. By choosing a career in occupational therapy, you will make a difference! You will be able to improve the lives of people, from newborns to the very old.

Students today can look forward to dynamic careers working in multiple settings with people of all ages. And the employment outlook for occupational therapists is bright! Recent information published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (http://stats.bls.gov/oco/ocos078.htm) has projected that the job outlook for occupational therapists will improve substantially in the next several years and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. Specifically, it states that "employment of occupational therapists is expected to increase much faster than the average for all occupations through 2014," meaning that employment is expected to increase by 27% or more.

One of the greatest advantages of a career in occupational therapy is the wide variety of opportunities available to occupational therapy graduates. Many practitioners choose to help children thrive in the "occupations" of childhood, which include learning, playing, and growing. Therapists work in schools with students who have learning disabilities or behavioral problems. Others work with premature newborns at pediatric hospitals or children with cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, and other disabilities.

Occupational therapists also work with individuals in their homes, community centers, rehabilitation hospitals, businesses, and nursing homes. In these settings, occupational therapists help people with traumatic injuries, stroke, Alzheimer's disease, or mental health problems, learn to live productive lives through the use of meaningful occupations.

Those who join the field today may choose other areas of practice that are increasingly important. These new specialties include training workers to use proper ergonomics on the job, helping people with low vision maintain their independence, making buildings and homes more accessible, older driver evaluation and training, and promoting health and wellness.

Occupational therapy is a career for individuals who care about people and have a desire to learn, achieve, and contribute their best to society and the profession!

If you have specific questions about a career in occupational therapy, please contact <a href="mailto:educate@aota.org">educate@aota.org</a>.

Visit www.aota.org for more information about the profession and the activities of the American Occupational Therapy Association.



**The American Occupational Therapy Association** 

### OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ADAPTIVE LIVING HOME

The University of Findlay's Occupational Therapy Program is committed to providing learning opportunities for occupational therapy students, community agencies, healthcare professionals and outreach to individuals living in the community. The focus is on home modifications and technologies necessary for anyone needing assistance with the occupations of everyday living.

#### **PURPOSES OF OT HOME**

#### I. Education

The Occupational Therapy Home is a hands-on learning experience for occupational therapy students. The students gain knowledge and skills for older individuals through adapting homes and using assistive devices.

#### II. Research

Resources such as occupational therapy materials and journals are in the house for student use. Research projects regarding older adult independence and performance are studied by occupational therapy students. The OT Home offers the opportunity for students to study home modification and assistive devices.

#### III. Outreach

The occupational therapy faculty and students at The University of Findlay also offer outreach to teach the community on various topics including:

- Aging in Place
- Home Modification
- Adaptive Equipment
- Life Skills Training

#### **TARGETED AUDIENCES**

- Occupational Therapy students
- Clients of all ages
- Caregivers
- Health Professionals

#### **SERVICES**

- Assessment, evaluation and intervention
- Opportunity to view and try out assistive technology
- Information on home modifications
- Information on home safety
- Assistive devices for independence
- Educational programs
- Research projects
- Grant writing



#### **KEY IDEAS**

#### **Aging in Place**

"Aging in place" is defined as growing older without having to move from one's current place of residence, in order to secure necessary support services in response to changing needs.

• Some 70% of seniors spend the rest of their life in the place where they celebrated their 65th birthday.

#### **Universal Design**

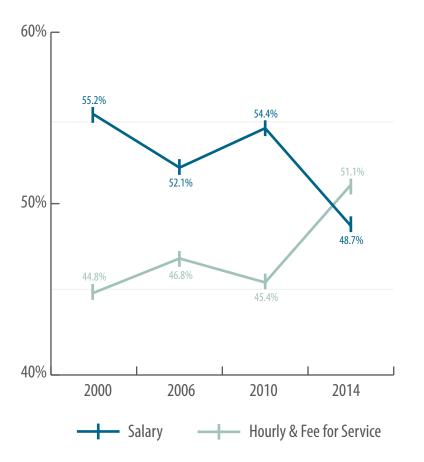
The design of products and environments to be used by everyone with-out the need for adaptation.

• The intent of universal design is to simplify life for everyone by making products, communications, and the environment more usable for everyone at little or no extra cost. Universal design benefits people of all ages and abilities.

## METHOD

For the first time, hourly and fee-for-service are the most common method of payment for OTs. OTAs are paid an hourly rate 83.6% of the time, with only 11.8% receiving a salary.

The difference between salaried and hourly employees is by far most pronounced in LTC/SNFs, where OTs are paid hourly or a fee-for-service 80% of the time. OTAs in LTC/SNFs receive a salary only 4% of the time.



# ANNUAL COMPENSATION

Median salary for OTs in 2014 was \$70,000. The median hourly rate for full-time OTs was \$37. Part-time practitioners, OTs in particular, seemed to have higher hourly rates, with a \$44 median for those working 11–30 hours weekly and \$45 for those who worked 10 or fewer hours.

The difference for OTAs was much smaller. With an annual median salary of \$48,000 and a median hourly rate of \$26 for full-time practitioners, part-time OTAs earned only \$1 or \$2 per hour more than their full-time colleagues.

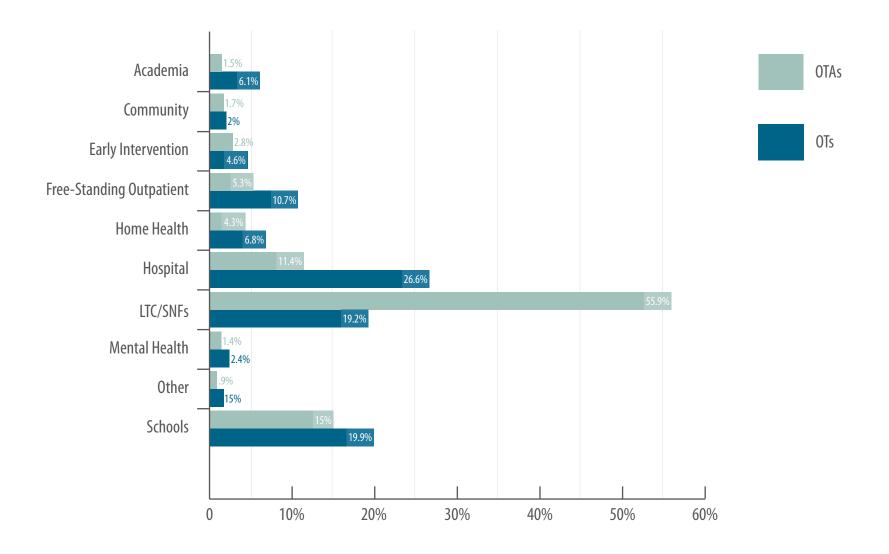
#### **Annual Salary Overview**

	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile	Number of Responses
	OT					
Full-Time	\$50K	\$60K	\$70K	\$81K	\$95K	8,087
Standard Part-Time	\$31	\$37	\$44	\$50	\$60	1,283
Limited Part-Time	\$32.10	\$40	\$45	\$55	\$71.80	294
	OTA					
Full-Time	\$33K	\$40K	\$48K	\$56K	\$65K	1,707
Standard Part-Time	\$20	\$24	\$28	\$34	\$37	328
Limited Part-Time	\$20	\$25	\$30	\$33.75	\$35	80

Note: Data include only base salary compensation received at the primary setting.

# PRACTICE SETTINGS

For OTs, a slow, modest trend toward employment in hospitals and long-term care (LTC)/skilled nursing facilities (SNFs) has occurred. Today, 46% of the OT workforce is in one of these two settings, up from 37.5% in 2010. For OTAs the shift is even more pronounced, with 67% now in these two settings.







Meaningful Lives. Productive Careers.

#### **Occupational Therapy Program**

# Record of Hours Form Observation / Volunteer / Paid Hours in Occupational Therapy\*

Prospective (	OT Student Na	me						
Name of Fac	ility							
Street Addre	ss for Facility							
City				State Zip Code				
Supervisor N	Jame			OT or OTA				
OT/OTA Em	nail Address							
OT/OTA Ph	one Number_							
Paid or Volunteer Experience: Paid				Volunteer Both				
Hospital Home and Community Health						observe in at least 2 (two)  Geriatrics Children or Youth Adults		
Date	Time In	Time Out	Hours	Population or Ages Seen		Primary Diagnosis		
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	URS AT THIS supervising O'					Date		
OT/OTA Lic	cense Number	Leave blank, if		State of OT/OTA License Leave blank, if unknown				

<sup>\*</sup> These hours are in preparation for application to the Occupational Therapy Program at the University of Findlay. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact the Occupational Therapy Program Office at 1-800-472-9502 ext. 6936 or (419) 434-6936. Please make as many copies of this form as necessary to record your observation/volunteer/paid work hours. Use one form for each practice setting or population.



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Prospective (	OT Student Na	me					
Name of Fac	ility						
Street Addre	ss for Facility						
City				State Zip Code			
Supervisor N	lame			O	Т	or OTA	
OT/OTA Em	nail Address						
OT/OTA Ph	one Number_						
Paid or Volunteer Experience:			Paid Volunteer			Both	
Type of Clinical Setting: (Please check a different settings for approximately 20-25 l  Nursing Home Hospital Home and Community Health School System						Description of the description o	
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