

# Michigan Occupational Therapy Program Comparison Valid 2020/2021

|                            | Baker College – Flint  | Davenport University   | Eastern Michigan University   | Grand Valley State University  | Saginaw Valley State University   | Wayne State University  |
|----------------------------|--|--|---|--|---|---|
| Program Type               | MSOT   | MSOT   | MSOT  | MSOT   | MSOT  | MSOT  |
| App Deadline               | Continuation of Undergraduate Pre-OT Program   | January 8  | June 10   | January 15<br>Fall (Aug) semester  | January 24  | November 1  |
| Program Start              | Fall Semester (August)   | Fall Semester (September)  | Winter Semester (January)   | Fall Semester (August)   | Spring Semester (May)   | Fall Semester (August)  |
| OTCAS                      | No   | Yes  | Yes   | Yes - VERIFIED   | No  | Yes   |
| Fees – School Fees - OTCAS | \$30   | N/A + \$150 for the first program; \$65 each additional  | \$35 + \$150 for the first program; \$65 each additional  | \$30 + \$150 for the first program; \$65 each additional   | N/A   | \$50 + \$150 for the first program; \$65 each additional  |
| Minimum GPA                | 2.50   | 3.0  | 3.0   | no minimum   | 3.0   | 3.0   |
| GRE                        | N/A  | N/A  | Yes   | N/A  | N/A   | N/A   |
| OT & other Experience      | N/A  | Not required, but health-related experience, volunteering, and work improve application            | Min. 20 hours volunteering /observing with an OTR/L in at least 2 different settings                                      | Min. 50 hours volunteering / observing with an OTR/L   | Min. 30 hours work / volunteer with people experiencing decreased participation in daily activities                                     | Min. 20 hours of observation with an OTR/L within the last 2 years  |
| Essay / Written Statement  | Essay included in online application   | Personal statement   | N/A   | Achievement profile form   | Background check<br>Drug test   | N/A   |
| Letters / Recommendations  | N/A  | 3 letters of recommendation  | 3 references:<br>1 professional<br>1 academic<br>1 other  | 2 recommendations:<br>1 OTR/L<br>1 professor or employer   | N/A   | N/A   |
| Interview                  | N/A  | N/A  | Yes   | Yes  | N/A   | Yes   |
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| OT Program URL             | <a href="https://www.baker.edu/academics">https://www.baker.edu/academics</a>                          | <a href="https://www.davenport.edu/academics">https://www.davenport.edu/academics</a>              | <a href="https://catalog.emich.edu/preview_program">https://catalog.emich.edu/preview_program</a>                         | <a href="https://www.gvsu.edu/u/grad/ot/">https://www.gvsu.edu/u/grad/ot/</a>  | <a href="https://www.svsu.edu/occupationaltherapy/">https://www.svsu.edu/occupationaltherapy/</a>                                       | <a href="https://cphs.wayne.edu/occupational-therapy/index.php">https://cphs.wayne.edu/occupational-therapy/index.php</a> |

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|                                  | <b>Andrews University</b>   | <b>Concordia University</b>  | <b>Grand Valley State University</b>  | <b>Western Michigan University</b>  |
|----------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Program Type                     | OTD   | OTD  | DrOT  | OTD   |
| Status                           | Begins 2023 pending accreditation   | Begins 2022  | January 2020 – requires completion of a graduate degree & OT credentials  | June 2020 - replacing MSOT  |
| App Deadline                     | TBD   | TBD  | August 1 for fall semester<br>December 1 for winter semester  | January 15  |
| Program Start                    | Fall Semester (August)  | Fall Semester (August)   | Fall/Winter Semester (August/January)   | Summer II Semester (July)   |
| OTCAS                            | TBD   | TBD  | No  | Yes   |
| School Fees<br>OTCAS Fees        | TBD   | TBD  | \$30  | \$50 + OTCAS charges \$150 for the first program and \$65 each additional   |
| Minimum GPA                      | TBD   | TBD  | 3.25  | 3.0   |
| GRE                              | TBD   | TBD  | N/A   | Yes   |
| Experience                       | TBD   | TBD  | Master's degree, a minimum of 2 years of practice as an OTR/L, and must maintain at least part-time employment throughout matriculation in the doctoral program | Bachelor degree & recommended Volunteer/work experiences, leadership/teamwork experiences, diversity experiences, research experiences, job shadowing |
| Essay /<br>Written<br>Statement  | TBD   | TBD  | Personal statement<br>Evaluation of a pre-selected article  | N/A   |
| Letters /<br>Recommendati<br>ons | TBD   | TBD  | 3 letters of support from professional colleagues, supervisors, or department heads   | N/A   |
| Interview                        | TBD   | TBD  | Yes   | Yes   |
| Main Contact                     | School of Rehabilitation Sciences<br>*In the process of hiring a director<br>(269) 471-2878<br><a href="mailto:pt-info@andrews.edu">pt-info@andrews.edu</a> | Juliane Chreston<br>Director of Occupational Therapy<br>(734) 995-7596<br><a href="mailto:juliane.chreston@cuaa.edu">juliane.chreston@cuaa.edu</a> | Susan Cleghorn<br>DrOT Program Director<br>(616) 331-5500<br><a href="mailto:cleghors@gvsu.edu">cleghors@gvsu.edu</a>   | Sarah Anderson<br>Manager of Recruitment and Outreach<br>(269) 387-8987<br><a href="https://wmich.edu/email">https://wmich.edu/email</a>              |
| Website UR                       | <a href="https://www.andrews.edu/chhs">https://www.andrews.edu/chhs</a>   | <a href="https://blog.cuaa.edu/otd">https://blog.cuaa.edu/otd</a>  | <a href="https://www.gvsu.edu/grad/drot/">https://www.gvsu.edu/grad/drot/</a>   | <a href="https://wmich.edu/ot/academics">https://wmich.edu/ot/academics</a>   |

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