Master of Occupational Therapy

Applicants must hold a bachelor degree or equivalent qualification and must have achieved a Flinders equivalent grade point average (GPA) of credit (5.00) or above to be considered.

Applicants must have also either completed the Bachelor of Health Sciences (Principles of Occupational Therapy) or the Bachelor of Exercise Science (with the Specialisation Allied Health) at Flinders University OR have completed:

- the equivalent of 9 Flinders units (0.25 years FTE) of study focused on an understanding of body structures and function such as human biology, physiology and anatomy including detailed musculoskeletal anatomy with an emphasis on the upper limb; and
- the equivalent of 4.5 Flinders units (0.125 years FTE) of study focused on an understanding of the human and social environment and social perspectives in health such as psychology and sociology; and
- the equivalent of 4.5 Flinders units (0.125 years FTE) study of research methods; and
- the equivalent of 4.5 Flinders units (0.125 years FTE) of study in communication skills.

Due to limited places available, selection is based on meeting the above requirements and academic merit. Applicants who meet the above requirements will be ranked on their best Flinders equivalent GPA.

Applicants who did not achieve the minimum GPA in their completed bachelor degree or equivalent qualification, can be considered on the GPA achieved in a graduate certificate provided they have completed a minimum one semester full-time equivalent study in this course. In addition, applicants can also be considered on the GPA achieved in a minimum of one-semester of full-time equivalent study or more undertaken in another bachelor degree, graduate diploma or Masters degree of their choice, even if this course is not completed.

### Topic pre-requisites requirement information

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| the equivalent of 9 Flinders units (0.25 years FTE) of study focused on an understanding of body structures and function such as human biology, physiology and anatomy including detailed musculoskeletal anatomy with an emphasis on the upper limb; | Topics must cover basic physiology, human body structures and functions with a specific focus on human musculoskeletal anatomy the upper limb, | HLTH 1004 Human Bioscience  
OR  
MMED1005 How Your Body Works: Human Physiology and Structure  
OR  
MMED2931 Human Physiology  
AND  
MMED3932 Body Systems  
OR  
MMED 3941 Human Musculoskeletal Anatomy |
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the equivalent of 4.5 Flinders units (0.125 years FTE) of study focused on an understanding of the human and social environment and social perspectives in health such as psychology and sociology | Topics that cover broad perspectives of health and how it can be understood and influenced. This could be addressed by broad introductory psychology, sociology or understanding health topics. | HLTH2105 Health: A Psychological Perspective  OR  HLTH2101 Critical Social Analysis

the equivalent of 4.5 Flinders units (0.125 years FTE) study of research methods | Topics must cover introductory research methods including qualitative and quantitative approaches and/or evidence-based practice. Ideally with a social health perspective but not essential. Students with Honours or Masters by Research degrees will meet this requirement. | HLTH3102 Qualitative Methods for Social Health Research  OR  HLTH3105 Quantitative Methods for Social Health Research

the equivalent of 4.5 Flinders units (0.125 years FTE) of study in communication skills | Topics must have a specific focus on aspects of communication with future clients and colleagues such as: listening skills, interviewing skills, basic counselling skills, group work or team work within the context of health, disability and human services. Topics which are focused on English grammar, syntax and idiom; summary and technical writing and referencing and essay writing will not meet this requirement. | HLTH1304 Communication and Interprofessional Practice (4.5 units)  OR  DSRS3222 Counselling


Many Flinders University topics can be undertaken as non-award study that may meet the pre-requisites for the Master of Occupational Therapy. More information about non-award study is available at [www.flinders.edu.au/enrolling/non-award-students/](http://www.flinders.edu.au/enrolling/non-award-students/). Non-award study does not allow applicants to achieve a GPA for consideration in future applications even if they have completed a minimum one semester full-time equivalent of non-award study.

Applications are not able to be pre-assessed and feedback can be provided once applications are submitted through SATAC, meet any deadlines for payment of application fees to be guaranteed equal consideration and have been considered. Applicants who are not successful in receiving an offer will be able to be provided with feedback on how to improve their chances for selection in the future if they wish to pursue a career as an Occupational Therapist.

For further information contact us via email: askflinders@flinders.edu.au or call 1300 354 633 (option 1).