For KU Lawrence students seeking admission to KUMC:

# PRE-OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PLANNING GUIDE

<u>Pre-Occupational Therapy</u> is a track made up of courses required for entry to KUMC's Occupational Therapy Doctoral program. Students complete these requirements alongside the bachelor's degree of their choice. Other schools may have different admission requirements. More information can be found by visiting www.prehealth.ku.edu.

<u>Admission Requirements</u>: A minimum 3.2 cumulative GPA is required for admission. The application deadline is October 1.

### REQUIREMENTS

\*Courses marked with an asterisk have pre-requisites not already listed below.

- Human Anatomy w/ lab
  - Options at KU: BIOL 240\* & BIOL 241
  - A combined human anatomy and physiology course is acceptable if it is at least 8 hours.
- Human Physiology w/ lab
  - Options at KU: BIOL 246\*
  - BIOL 247 lab is optional.
- Psychological Disorders
  - Options at KU: PSYC 350\*
  - Fulfills KU Core Goal 2.1.1
- Human or Child Development
  - Options at KU: PSYC 250\*
- Social Science
  - Any course that fulfills KU Core Goal 3S
  - PSYC 104 is a pre-requisite for both PSYC 350 and PSYC 250, and also fulfills KU Core Goal 3S.
- Statistics
  - Options at KU: MATH 365\* or PSYC 210\*
- Ethics
  - Options at KU: PHIL 160 or PHIL 370
- Medical Terminology
  - Options at KU: HEIM 230 or CLSX 332
  - CLSX 332 fulfills KU Core Goal 3H.

#### RECOMMENDED

- Sociology
  - Options at KU: SOC 104
  - $\circ \quad \mbox{Fulfills KU Core Goal 4.1}$
  - Required for other OT programs.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

- 18 out of 24 required pre-requisite hours must be completed before applying, with anatomy and physiology included in those 18 hours. The rest of the pre-admission requirements must be completed by the start of the OT program.
- No grade lower than a C will be accepted on prerequisite courses. Students must have a 3.2 GPA for prerequisite courses.
- Healthcare experience with an occupational therapist with direct patient contact is no longer required for KU, but is required for some programs.

## IMPORTANT NOTES (CONTINUED)

- The GRE is not required for KU's OT program and scores are not considered in the admission process. It is required for some programs.
- Applicants will be required to complete an interview as part of the admission process.
- The application process includes a personal statement and three references. References should be written by a professional, advisor, instructor, or supervisor who can attest to the applicant's potential success in the program and future contributions to the occupational therapy profession.
- Applications may be submitted with coursework still in progress, but must indicate the student's plan for completion prior to beginning the program. All prerequisites must be completed before starting OT coursework.

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT A JAA PRE-HEALTH ADVISOR BY EMAILING PREHEALTH@KU.EDU.