

OCCUPATIONAL SCIENCE, B.S.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Mont Alto

Entrance to Major

To be eligible for admission to the B.S. in Occupational Science, applicants must have completed an associate degree in either Physical Therapist Assistant or Occupational Therapy from an accredited institution. First-time, first-year students are not eligible for admission.

Although the minimum GPA required for admission or reenrollment is a 2.0 (on a 4.0 scale), this does not guarantee admission or reenrollment into the program. The program is competitive; therefore, applicants who submit their application to Penn State or their request for reenrollment by December 31 for fall, by November 1 for spring and by April 1 for summer will be reviewed on a space available basis.

While students can be admitted in the fall, spring or summer semesters, The five Occupational Science courses will be offered in sequence in the fall and spring semesters only.

Associate-level OT and PTA courses from accredited institutions apply toward the "portfolio" section of the degree requirements, for up to 45 credits of OT or PTA coursework.

Applicable transfer credits may be applied to general education or elective credits. The Undergraduate Admissions Office determines whether Penn State credit will be awarded after reviewing official transcripts. Once admitted to the program, students are assigned to an academic or faculty adviser, who will provide an evaluation of remaining requirements.

Regardless of the number of required credits needed, Faculty Senate Policy 83-80 states that all students must complete 36 of their last 60 credits of coursework at Penn State to earn a Penn State bachelor's degree.