Career Planning: Preparing to Enter the Occupational Therapy Program
Biology Department of Queens College, City University of New York

Course Requirements, for the Select Accredited Occupational Therapy Programs (Masters in Science Degree), in New York, as Mentioned Below.

- Columbia University
- Long Island University, Brooklyn
- Mercy College
- New York Institute of Technology (NYIT)
- New York Medical College, Valhalla
- New York University
- Stony Brook University
- SUNY Downstate Medical Center
- Touro College, Manhattan Program
- York College/CUNY

Required Courses – For the Students Majoring in Biology\(^1,2\):

- BIO 105 and BIO 106 (General Biology I & II)
- BIO 286 (Principles of Cell Biology)
- BIO 325 and BIO 326 (Anatomy & Physiology I and II)
- CHEM 113 (General Chemistry I)
- PHYS 121 (General Physics I)
- PSYCH 217 (Developmental Psychology: Lifespan)
- PSYCH 221 (Abnormal Psychology)
- PSYCH 107 or SOC 205 (Social Statistics)
- MATH 142 (Calculus II)
- One course in Psychology (other than PSYCH 217 and 221)
- One course in Social sciences (e.g. Sociology or Anthropology)
- Two courses in Humanities (e.g. Literature, History, or Philosophy)
- Two courses in English

Required Courses – For the Non-Biology Majors\(^2\):

- BIO 105 and BIO 106 (General Biology I & II)
- BIO 40 and BIO 41 (Anatomy and Physiology I and II)
- CHEM 113 (General Chemistry I)
- PHYS 121 (General Physics I)
- PSYCH 107 or SOC 205 (Social Statistics)
- PSYCH 217 (Developmental Psychology: Lifespan)
- PSYCH 221 (Abnormal Psychology)
- MATH 122 (Pre-calculus)
- One course in Psychology (other than PSYCH 217 and 221)
- One course in Social sciences (e.g. Sociology or Anthropology)
- Two courses in Humanities (e.g. Literature, History, or Philosophy)
- Two courses in English

**Miscellaneous Requirements**:  
- Bachelor’s Degree  
- Overall and Science GPA of 3.0 or better  
- Minimum of 100 hours of shadowing a licensed Occupational Therapist in two different settings  
- Certification in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation by the Red Cross  
- Certification in Standard First Aid

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1 - This is not a complete list of courses needed to earn the Bachelor of Arts degree (B.A.) in Biology. A complete list of requirements may be found in the four-year plan for the B.A. in Biology.

2 - This is a comprehensive list of courses needed to apply to the occupational therapy programs. The exact prerequisite courses may vary between schools and must be verified with individual schools. This list is based on and derived from the admission’s requirements for the year 2017 of the aforementioned schools. Students are strongly encouraged to consult with their respective schools before applying.

3 - These requirements differ between programs and must be verified before applying. The certifications must be up-to-date.