



Johnson County Community College
Transfer Program to the University of Kansas
**Entry-Level Occupational Therapy
(Doctorate Program)**
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- The University of Kansas Entry-Level Doctorate in Occupational Therapy degree program is consistently ranked among the top programs in the nation, KUMC OTE trains leaders in occupational therapy.
- The University of Kansas Entry-Level Doctorate in Occupational Therapy degree program is a full-time, three-year course of study located on the KU Medical Center campus; it includes academic coursework, fieldwork education, and doctoral experiential components.
- This program has been designed to provide students with skills necessary to work as an Occupational Therapist in a range of possible settings. Upon completion of this course of study, students will be eligible for the national OT certification examination.
- Applicants must possess a cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of at least a 3.2 on a 4.0 scale for his or her bachelor's degree program and specifically a 3.0 GPA on all prerequisite course requirements. The information documented on student transcripts will be used to calculate all grade point averages. Consistent with University of Kansas policy, the admissions committee will replace grades of classes that have been repeated. AP courses and grades are not considered for prerequisite requirements.
- A [background check](#) is required during the admission process; it may affect the student's eligibility to enter the program. This one-time fee must be paid directly to the company performing the background investigation. More information: [School of Health Professions background check policy](#).
- As part of the online application, applicants will submit a personal statement describing why occupational therapy is their chosen career, and how a degree in OT will support the applicant's personal and professional goals. This statement should include an explanation of how personal, professional, and educational background and experience has prepared the applicant for this career decision and a future in occupational therapy.
- All applicants must submit three separate references and they should be written by a professional, advisor, instructor, supervisor, coach or other adult contact who can attest to the applicant's potential success in the program and future contributions to the occupational therapy profession.
- All accepted students must submit copies of current, valid CPR certification prior to the program start date and maintain certification while in the program. Students need to complete the [Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers training](#) through the American Heart Association.
- In addition, student must provide proof of current health insurance coverage before entering the program.
- Applicants who have been convicted of a felony should be aware that application for licensure, certification, or registration will be subject to review and additional information may be requested. Based on the review process, denial of licensure, certification, and/or registration may occur and subsequent opportunities for employment may be compromised.
- Please visit the [OTDE website](#) for more in-depth information about the curriculum, application process, and other important details.

It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer guide is provided as a service and is updated as needed. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions. To ensure you have the most accurate up to date information about the program, it is imperative you meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.

Students must also complete a Bachelor's degree of their choosing. Students completing the Bachelor's degree from KU must complete the KU Core 34 Requirements. Students that complete the A.A. or A.F.A. or A.S. at JCCC satisfy KU Core 34 general education curriculum.

Students who transfer to KU, without completing AA, AFA or AS degree will have courses evaluated on a course-by-course basis toward meeting KU requirements. To learn more about courses that satisfy KU Core 34 requirements visit: <https://catalog.ku.edu/core34/> and <https://credittransfer.ku.edu/>

KU's Core 34 General Education guide can be found here:

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/transfer/files/transfer-guides/ku-core-requirements.pdf>

The table below indicates which KU Core 34 requirements are met by completing the Occupational Therapy Doctorate Prerequisites. A passing grade of "C" or higher is required in all prerequisite courses and an overall 3.0 (4.0 scale) GPA for prerequisite courses.

KU Core 34 (Occupational Therapy Prerequisites)

KU Courses	JCCC Courses	KU Core 34
^BIOL 240/241 Fund. of Human Anatomy/Lab	^BIOL 140 Human Anatomy	NPS/NLEC/NLAB
^BIOL 246 Principles of Physiology/Lab	^BIOL 225 Human Physiology*	NPS/NLEC/NLAB
Medical Terminology	HC 130 Medical Terminology for Healthcare Professionals	N/A
MATH 365 Elementary Statistics OR PSYC 210 Statistics in Psychological Research	MATH 181 Statistics* OR PSYC 209 Stats in Psychological Research*	MTS
Lifespan Development	PSYC 218 Human Development*	SBS
PHIL 160 Introduction to Ethics	PHIL 143 Ethics	AH
Social and Behavioral Sciences	See KU Core 34 General Education guide	SBS
PSYC 350 Psychological Disorders	No equivalent	N/A

* JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite

^ A single, combined human anatomy and physiology course may be substituted for the human anatomy and physiology requirement as long as it is at least eight hours and includes a lab. JCCC's BIOL 144 would work for this requirement. Additionally, the Anatomy/lab class must have been taken within the last five years.

Note: Core 34: Social and Behavioral Sciences requirement and Arts & Humanities requirement requires two courses from two different disciplines.

Remaining KU Bachelor's Degree Core 34 Requirements

Note: Students should meet with their JCCC advisor to determine additional JCCC courses that will transfer to KU toward completing the remaining KU Core 34 requirements and/or major requirements of the chosen KU Bachelor's degree.

Depending on the major, some Core 34 requirements will be met at KU with courses required for the major.

KU Courses	JCCC Courses	KU Core 34
Core 34: English (6 hours)	See KU Core 34 General Education guide	ENG
Core 34: Communications (3 hours)	See KU Core 34 General Education guide	CMS
Core 34: Arts and Humanities (3 hours – must be in a different discipline than PHIL 160)	See KU Core 34 General Education guide	AH
Core 34: US Culture – Institutionally Designated (3 hours)	See KU Core 34 General Education guide	USC
Core 34: Global Culture – Institutionally Designated (3 hours)	See KU Core 34 General Education guide	GLBC