

Acknowledgement of Requirements

Master of Science in Occupational Therapy Applicants

FELONY CONVICTIONS AND CHARACTER ISSUES

Graduates of any Master of Science in Occupational Therapy program must pass the certification examination administered by the National Board for the Certification of Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) in order to work as an occupational therapist. Applicants must be aware that felony convictions and other character issues could disqualify them from taking the NBCOT exam. The NBCOT describes the nature of the questions asked on exam candidate applications as follows:

Individuals applying for the NBCOT Certification Examination for OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST REGISTERED OTR® (OTR) or CERTIFIED OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT COTA® (COTA) must answer each of the following questions on the examination application:

1. Have you ever been charged with or convicted of a felony? (NOTE: Applicants must answer affirmatively if records, charges, or convictions have been pardoned, expunged, released or sealed.)
2. Have you ever had any professional license, registration, or certification revoked, suspended or subject to probationary conditions by a regulatory authority or certification board?
3. Have you ever been found by any court, administrative, or disciplinary proceeding to have committed negligence, malpractice, recklessness, or willful or intentional misconduct which resulted in harm to another?
4. Have you ever been suspended and/or expelled from a college or university?

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For more information regarding this and other certification questions, or to obtain an Early Determination Review prior to starting your program, please contact the NBCOT.

**Credentialing Services at NBCOT,
12 S. Summit Avenue, Suite 100, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877.
Phone: (301) 990-7979. Email: character.review@nbcot.org
www.nbcot.org**

ATTENDANCE, GRADING, AND PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS

- Students must complete attendance requirements as outlined in the Student Catalog in order to graduate.
- Students must complete all units and all courses of the program in order to graduate.
- Students must complete all fieldwork requirements in order to graduate.
- Students must have a cumulative grade point average of B (3.0) as detailed in the Student Catalog in order to graduate.
- Students must complete the program within 1.5 times the credit hours required for completion (as described in the Student Catalog). Students not finishing by the extended timeframe will be dismissed

By signing below I acknowledge that I have been informed of the information stated above.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Print Name of Applicant: _____

