GMERCYU
Gwynedd Mercy University

Occupational Science, BHS

The Natural Bridge to Occupational Therapy

3+2 Degree That Saves Time and Money

At GMercyU, you can earn a BHS in Occupational Science and an MS in Occupational Therapy, the training required to become an Occupational Therapist. This means:

- You don't have to apply to graduate school or take a graduate school entrance exam.
- You can complete both degrees in about 5 years, saving an entire year of time.
- You'll save more than $35,000 in graduate school tuition by completing 36 graduate credits as an undergraduate.

Standout Program

GMercyU is one of few universities in the U.S. that offers a bachelor's degree in Occupational Science. Our degree focuses on the complexity of *occupation* — meaningful daily activities. OS majors have an advantage with the next step of their education, a master's degree in occupational therapy, since they are learning in depth about its foundation.

About the Field

Occupational therapists promote health and well-being by helping people participate in everyday life activities and/or by modifying an environment to better support participation. As an OT, you might help adults with an orthopedic injury regain the use of their body or enable children with developmental delays to improve their ability to play and participate in school.

ACOTE®
Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education

GMercyU entry-level occupational therapy master's degree program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA).



Occupational Science majors learn in GMercyU's new Healthcare Innovation Center, our largest academic building.

$103,970
median annual salary for Occupational Therapists in the Philly area
(2025, Bureau of Labor Statistics)

#6
ranking in U.S. News & World Report's 2025 "Best 100 Healthcare Jobs"

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100%
of GMercyU first-time, full-time undergrad students receive financial aid.

Admissions counselors are ready to help!

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