



**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**  
**Substantive Program Modification Program**

<b>UNIVERSITY:</b>	<b>University of South Dakota</b>
<b>CURRENT PROGRAM TITLE:</b>	<b>Doctorate of Occupational Therapy (OTD)</b>
<b>CIP CODE:</b>	<b>51.2306</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:</b>	<b>Occupational Therapy</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DIVISION:</b>	<b>School of Health Sciences</b>

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

*Elizabeth M. Freeburg*

*5/9/2017*

Vice President of Academic Affairs or  
President of the University

Date

**1. This modification addresses a change in (place an "X" in the appropriate box):**

<input type="checkbox"/> Total credits required within the discipline	<input type="checkbox"/> Total credits of supportive course work
<input type="checkbox"/> Total credits of elective course work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total credits required for <b>entry-level Doctorate in Occupational Therapy</b> program
<input type="checkbox"/> Program name	<input type="checkbox"/> Existing specialization
<input type="checkbox"/> CIP Code	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below) Change in <b>admission requirements</b> for <b>post-professional Doctorate in Occupational Therapy</b>

**2. Effective date of change:**

**3. Program Degree Level (place an "X" in the appropriate box):**

Associate  Bachelor's  Master's  Doctoral

**4. Category (place an "X" in the appropriate box):**

Certificate  Specialization  Minor  Major

**5. If a name change is proposed, the change will occur (place an "X" in the appropriate box):**

On the effective date for all students

On the effective date for students new to the program (enrolled students will graduate from existing program)

**Proposed new name:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Reminder: Name changes impact require updating any related articulation agreements, site approvals, etc.*

**6. Primary Aspects of the Modification (add lines as needed):**

**Entry-level Doctorate in Occupational Therapy**

*Existing Curriculum*

*Proposed Curriculum (highlight changes)*

Pref.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.	Pref.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.
ANAT	711	Human Gross Anatomy	6	ANAT	711	Human Gross Anatomy	6
OCTH	710	The Meaning of Occupation	2	OCTH	710	The Meaning of Occupation	2
OCTH	712	Structure, Movement and Occupation	4	OCTH	712	Structure, Movement and Occupation	4
OCTH	715	Occupational Performance: Childhood	3	OCTH	715	Occupational Performance: Childhood	3
OCTH	720	Philosophical & Theoretical Foundations of Occupational Therapy	2	OCTH	720	Philosophical & Theoretical Foundations of Occupational Therapy	2
OCTH	721	Neurological Foundation of Occupation	1	OCTH	721	Neurological Foundation of Occupation	1
OCTH	724	Therapeutic Use of Self & Groups	3	OCTH	724	Therapeutic Use of Self & Groups	3
OCTH	725	Occupational Performance: Adulthood	3	OCTH	725	Occupational Performance: Adulthood	3
OCTH	731	Physical & Psychosocial Health Conditions	4	OCTH	731	Physical & Psychosocial Health Conditions	4
OCTH	732	Therapeutic Adaptations to Enhance Occupational Performance	4	OCTH	732	Therapeutic Adaptations to Enhance Occupational Performance	4
OCTH	733	Promotion of Health & Prevention of Disability	3	OCTH	733	Promotion of Health & Prevention of Disability	3
OCTH	734	Environmental Influences on Occupation	3	OCTH	734	Environmental Influences on Occupation	3
OCTH	741	Professional Identity & Field Experiences I	3	OCTH	741	Professional Identity & Field Experiences I	3
OCTH	742	Preparatory Methods: Physical Agent Modalities & Orthotic Devices	4	OCTH	742	Preparatory Methods: Physical Agent Modalities & Orthotic Devices	4
OCTH	746	OT Assessment & Intervention: Adult Physical Disabilities	4	OCTH	746	OT Assessment & Intervention: Adult Physical Disabilities	4
OCTH	747	OT Assessment & Intervention: Psychosocial Practice	4	OCTH	747	OT Assessment & Intervention: Psychosocial Practice	4
OCTH	748	Interruptions to Adult Occupations	2	OCTH	748	Interruptions to Adult Occupations	2
OCTH	749	Interruptions to Adult Occupations II	2	OCTH	749	Interruptions to Adult Occupations II	2
OCTH	750	Leadership & Management in Healthcare	4	OCTH	750	Leadership & Management in Healthcare	4
OCTH	751	Professional Identity & Field Experiences II	2	OCTH	751	Professional Identity & Field Experiences II	2
OCTH	754	Social & Political Contexts of OT Practice	2	OCTH	754	Social & Political Contexts of OT Practice	2
OCTH	756	OT Assessment & Intervention: Childhood & Adolescence	4	OCTH	756	OT Assessment & Intervention: Childhood & Adolescence	4
OCTH	758	Interruptions to Childhood & Adolescent Occupations	3	OCTH	758	Interruptions to Childhood & Adolescent Occupations	3
OCTH	764	Fieldwork Level II	6	OCTH	764	Fieldwork Level II	6
OCTH	770	The Health Professional as Academic & Clinical Educator	2	OCTH	770	The Health Professional as Academic & Clinical Educator	2
OCTH	774	Fieldwork Level II	6	OCTH	774	Fieldwork Level II	6
OCTH	780	Research Design and Data Analysis	3	OCTH	780	Research Design and Data Analysis	3
OCTH	781	Evidence-Based Practice	1	OCTH	781	Evidence-Based Practice	1
OCTH	784	Scholarly Project Proposal	1	OCTH	784	Scholarly Project Proposal	1
OCTH	786	Scholarly Project Must enroll twice for total of 2 cr	(1) 2 req	OCTH	786	Scholarly Project Must enroll twice for total of 2 cr	(1) 2 req
OCTH	800	Capstone Proposal	1	OCTH	800	Capstone Proposal	1
OCTH	801	Capstone Experience Enrolls 1x for 8 cr	(4-8) 8 req	OCTH	801	Capstone Experience Enrolls 1x for 12 cr	(4-12) 12 req
OCTH	802	Capstone Project	1	OCTH	802	Capstone Project	1
PHGY	735	Human Physiology for OT Must enroll twice (1 cr + 3 cr) for total of 4 cr	(1-3) 4 req	PHGY	735	Human Physiology for OT Must enroll twice (1 cr + 3 cr) for total of 4 cr	(1-3) 4 req
PHTH	731	Rehabilitation Neuroscience	3	PHTH	731	Rehabilitation Neuroscience	3
Total number of hours required for degree			110	Total number of hours required for degree			114

**7. Explanation of the Change:**

OCTH 800 Capstone Experience is a full-time 16-week (640 clock hours) experiential course that allows the doctoral student to enhance skills in advanced clinical practice, scholarship, administration, leadership, advocacy, program and policy development, education, or theory development. This is an individual experience designed and led by the faculty mentor, with each student placed at a unique site. Individual faculty effort involved in mentoring 5-6 students is significant. The increase in credit load more accurately reflects the doctoral student effort and individual faculty mentorship. A number of deliverables are required based on the type of experience. For example, if the Capstone focus is scholarship, the student will submit a research proposal, IRB application, implement the study, submit a final manuscript and present a public

defense of the capstone. If it is program development, it typically include a needs assessment, literature review, program design, development of materials, program implementation and outcome assessment, final manuscript and public defense of the capstone.

**Required courses for the post-professional Doctorate** in Occupational Therapy do not change:

Prefix & Num	Course Title	Credit Hours
OCTH 733	Promotion of Health & Prevention of Disability	3
OCTH 760	Leadership in Healthcare	2
OCTH 770	The Health Professional as Academic & Clinical Educator	2
OCTH 800	Capstone Proposal	1
OCTH 801	Capstone Experience (4-8 cr)	8
OCTH 802	Capstone Project (1-2 cr)	2
Electives		6

Additional courses may be required for those individuals who graduated prior to 2010.

The increase in credit load for OCTH 801 is only required for the entry-level student doctoral student. The program of study for post-professional occupational therapy doctoral student will not change.

8. **Other:** Change in admission requirements for the post-professional Doctorate in Occupational Therapy.

**Remove the requirement that applicants must hold an MS in Occupational Therapy from the University of South Dakota.** We will still require an MS in Occupational Therapy (MS, MSOT, MOT, depending upon the university) from an accredited program but we will no longer require that the student graduated from USD. To be accredited, all programs must demonstrate that they meet the standards for accreditation by the Accreditation Council on Occupational Therapy Education; therefore, we feel that graduates of other programs should be eligible to enroll.