There are hundreds of OT programs in the US. In the Los Angeles area, there are SIX programs.

Need help to plan your courses?

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| REQUIRED COURSES | CSU Dominguez Hills | USC | West Coast | KGI | Stanbridge | Loma Linda |
| Location | LA | LA | LA | LA | OC & IE | IE |
| Program Type | Masters | Doctoral | Masters & Doctoral | Doctoral | Masters | Doctoral |
| Human Anatomy with Lab  Biol 211/212 = 3 units  Biol 213/212 = 4 units | Either | Either | Either | Either | Either | Either |
| Human Physiology with Lab  Biol 281/282 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Online Lab OK? | No info | Yes for 2022 entering class due to COVID | No info | No info | No info | No info |
| Statistics Math | Yes |  | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Writing |  |  | One course advanced writing (Suggest ENGL 306) |  |  |  |
| Intro Sociology (SOC 150)  Or Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 152) |  | Either |  | Either | Either |  |
| Life Span Psych (PSY 200)  OR Developmental Psych  (PSY 313)\* | Lifespan | Lifespan | Either | Either | Lifespan | Lifespan |
| Abnormal Psychology  PSY 310\*\* | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |  |
| Medical Terminology\*\*\* | Yes, can be certificate course or 1-2 unit credit course | Yes, can be certificate course or 1-2 unit credit course | Yes, must be at least 1 unit credit course | Yes |  | Yes, online course OK if preapproved by LLU |
| Additional Requirements | Attendance at Info Session is required prior to submitting application |  | 2 courses in Humanities or Social Science (suggest ANTH, PHIL, RS) |  |  |  |
| FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS | CSU Dominguez Hills | USC | West Coast | KGI | Stanbridge | Loma Linda |
| Location | LA | LA | LA | LA | OC & IE | IE |
| Minimum GPA (in degree or overall) to apply? | 3.0 in bachelor | No minimum | 3.0 in last 60 units of bachelor degree, 3.0 in prereqs | No info on website | 3.0 in bachelor degree | 3.2 in bachelor degree |
| Bachelor Degree required by: | Time that you apply | No info | Time that you apply | No info | No info | No info |
| Minimum grade (or GPA) in prereq courses? | C | C or higher each course but 3.0 overall GPA in prereqs | C | No info | C | B |
| Courses must be less than \_\_\_ years at time of app: | 10 years | 7 years | 10 years | No info | 5 years | A&P & Statistics only:  5 years |
| GRE Required? | Yes | Not for 2022 entry | No | No | No | No |
| Can prereqs be in progress during application? | No info | All done by end of Fall 2021 | Must be done by the time that you apply | No info | No info on website | Must be finished no later than Fall of application year |
| Minimum Observation Experience Requirements | 80 hours under an OT (or take OTR 410 at CSUDH) | Not required, but recommended | Minimum 40 hours in an OT setting | Recommended | 30 hours,16 hours must be under an OT supervisor, waived if you are OT assistant | 40 hours in OT setting, must use observation form on LLU website and submit proof when applying |
| Application Deadline | Sept (start Spring) | Nov 1, 2021 | No info on website | January 2022 | March 2022: Riverside  June 2022: Irvine | Sept 30, 2021 |

Other OT programs in California include: University of Saint Augustine, Dominican University, Samuel Merritt, San Jose State University, University of the Pacific, Alliant International University.

* **\*: Lifespan Psychology, PSY 200 @CSUN**: This is a course that covers human behavior throughout life, from birth to death. Sadly, PSY 200 has not been taught at CSUN for many years. **Developmental Psychology, PSY 313 @ CSUN:** This is a course that covers human behavior from birth to adolescence. SOME OT schools might accept PSY 200 or PSY 313, see prereqs on page 1 of this chart. If you need Lifespan Psychology, here are some local community colleges and the course numbers for Lifespan Psychology:
* **Lifespan Psych:**
* Psy 041 at ELAC, LAMC, LAVC and LAPC
* Psy 024 at PCC
* Psy 172 at COC
* Psy M07 at Moorpark
* **\*\*Abnormal Psychology, PSY 310 @ CSUN: If you want to take this course at CSUN, you must take** PSY 150 AND PSY 250 first. Since PSY 250 is not required for most OT programs, you might prefer to take Abnormal Psychology at community college instead. You can skip PSY 250 if you take Abnormal Psychology at community college. Here are some local community colleges and the course numbers for Abnormal Psychology:
* **Abnormal Psych:**
* Psy 014 at ELAC, LAMC, LAVC and LAPC
* Psy 003 at PCC
* Psy 115 at GCC
* Psy 240 at COC
* Psy M08 at Moopark
* **\*\*\*: Medical Terminology Requirement:** CSUN does not offer Medical Terminology. Here are some local schools that offer medical terminology as well as some online options. You are responsible to check with prospective OT programs to confirm the course you choose is acceptable:
* Moorpark, NS M19
* LA Pierce: VOC ED 377CE (non-credit course, ask schools if acceptable)
* LA Valley: BIOL 33
* LA Mission: BIOL 33 or HLTH OCC 063
* Glendale Community College: MOA 181 or MOA 182
* Pasadena City College: MA 115
* West Valley Occupational Center: HIT/1
* UC Berkeley Extension: MCELLBIX432