## **APPLICATION MATERIALS**

## Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (MS in OT)

The MS in OT program begins each fall semester. Applicants can apply prior to completing all prerequisite coursework; however, all admissions requirements must be completed before starting the program. All required application materials must be received prior to admission consideration. Completed applicant files received by October 1 will be reviewed for priority selection. After the priority deadline, files are reviewed on a rolling basis. The selection process requires an interview before final decisions to offer admission.

## **Priority Deadline: October 1**

Applications are accepted after the priority deadline and reviewed on a rolling basis

OTCAS applications must be "verified" by the priority deadline to be considered for priority selection. Therefore, OTCAS applications should be submitted 2-3 weeks ahead of the deadline to allow time for OTCAS verification.

The following application materials must be received **before** admission consideration:

- 1. Application using the <u>Occupational Therapist Centralized Application System</u> (OTCAS) The following documents are submitted with the OTCAS application:
  - · Official transcripts from all colleges attended
  - Two letters of recommendation academic or professional representatives
    - o letters of recommendation must be signed and on official letterhead including contact information.
  - Documentation from two distinctly separate areas of OT practice
    - Allen College <u>Job Shadowing Forms</u> (preferred) or site-specific forms accepted with therapist's signature and hours completed
  - Current personal resume
- 2. Non-refundable \$50 application fee paid directly to Allen College
  - Payment can be made by calling (319) 226-2014
- 3. Applicants whose first language is not English must prove <u>English proficiency</u> prior to admission review. The TOEFL exam is also required

Applicants will only be considered for admission for the upcoming academic year. Meeting admission criteria does not guarantee an interview. The MS in OT Admissions Committee uses selection criteria to choose candidates best qualified for the program and practice of the profession

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## Accreditation and Status:

The MS in OT program at Allen College is an entry-level occupational therapy master's degree program which has been accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (<u>ACOTE</u>) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (<u>AOTA</u>), located at 6116 Executive Boulevard, Suite 200, North Bethesda, MD 20852-4929. ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA and its Web address is www.acote.org.

