

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAM

DOCTOR OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (DR.O.T.)/
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (PH.D.)

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN
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At a Glance

- Total Credits: 62
- Complete in 4-5 years
- Fall start

Program Format

- Online format with mandatory on-campus presence three times during the curriculum.

Program Highlights

- Curriculum includes O.T. and research core courses, electives, capstone project, and dissertation study.
- Upon completion of 34 credits and the modified capstone project, students attain their post-professional Dr.O.T. degree.
- Upon completing 62 credits for the Ph.D. program, consisting of 34 Dr.O.T. credits and 28 Ph.D. level credits, in addition to a dissertation report, students are awarded their Ph.D. degree.
- Dissertation can be completed entirely online.
- Student-driven approach, emphasizing experiential learning for mastery.

**Department of
Occupational Therapy**

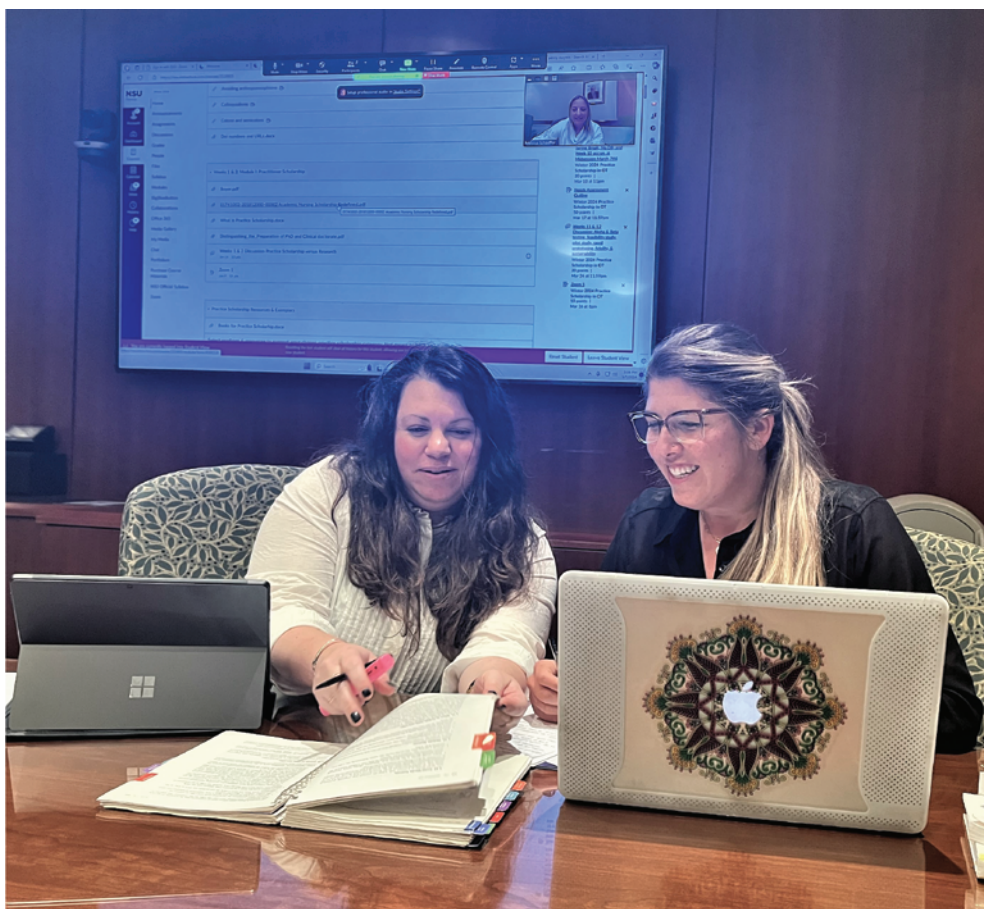
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Elevate Your Expertise and Become A Trailblazing Pracademic for the Future of Occupational Therapy.

The Dual-Degree Post-Professional Doctor of Occupational Therapy (Dr.O.T.) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Program is designed to empower the next generation of occupational therapy leaders. This program offers a unique continuous dual degree, combining advanced clinical practice with research.

With a curriculum totaling 62 credits, this pioneering program extends beyond the traditional Ph.D. in O.T. timeline by an additional semester. Graduates emerge as expert practitioner-academics, distinguished for their active engagement in scholarly pursuits that enrich the occupational therapy field.

By blending clinical expertise with rigorous research training, the Dual Degree Dr.O.T./Ph.D. Program seeks to propel the profession forward. Its goal is to cultivate innovative leaders dedicated to advancing occupational therapy, both through the application of evidence-based practice and the generation of new knowledge. Through this holistic approach, graduates are equipped to address the diverse occupational needs of society.



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OCT 7010	Theory Development for Models of Practice	3	}
OCT 7300	Biostatistics I	3	
OCT 7908	Practice Scholarship	3	
OCT 7860	Leadership Development in Multiple Contexts	3	
OCT 7910	Capstone I	3	
OCT 7301	Contexts of Occupation-Centered Practice	3	
OCT 7920	Capstone II	3	
OCT 7101	The Health Professional as Academic Educator	3	
OCT 7410	Qualitative Research Design	3	
OCT 7411	Quantitative Research Design	3	
OCT 7890	Independent Study/Capstone Residency	1	}
OCT 7850	Scholarly Writing for Publications and Grants	3	
OCT 7104	Occupational Science	3	
OCT 7420	Mixed Methods Research	3	
OCT 7890	Independent Study	3	
OCT 7310	Biostatistics II	3	
OCT 7870	Dissertation Seminar	3	
OCT 7820	Applying Measurement Theory to Evaluation	3	
OCT 8945	Studies for the Qualifying Examination	1	
OCT 8970 ***	Doctoral Dissertation	9	

*Conferral and Commencement of the Dr.O.T. degree upon completion of the above-sectioned 34 credits.

**Conferral and Commencement of the Ph.D. degree upon completion of 62 credits.

***A student must complete a minimum of 9 credit hours of Doctoral Dissertation (OCT 8970), remaining continuously enrolled in the course until the student's dissertation has been defended.



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