

DUPLICATE FORM AS NEEDED

**University of Missouri ~ School of Health Professions
Department of Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science**

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY OBSERVATIONS

Thirty (30) hours observation of Occupational Therapy by licensed Occupational Therapist

**Observations in OT Practice Settings mentioned below strongly recommended
A minimum of two (2) settings is required**

*If documentation of hours of OT observation is provided in a letter,
please fill in student portion of this form and attach to the letter(s).*

To be filled out by applicant

Applicant's Name _____

Facility _____
name city state zip

TO BE FILLED OUT BY LICENSED OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST

TYPE OF SETTING (PLEASE CHECK ONE)

In-patient Out-patient Home Health School Long Term Care Other: _____

DATES for this experience _____ **TOTAL # hours** _____

SUMMARY OF DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OBSERVED _____

COMMENTS (Regarding Student's interest & motivation) _____

I certify that the above applicant has observed a licensed occupational therapist at this facility

PRINTED Name of Licensed Occupational Therapist _____

SIGNATURE of Licensed Occupational Therapist

**MO License #
or state licensure
certification #**

DATE

This form is to be submitted by applicant with all completed application materials

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OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY CLINICAL OBSERVATIONS

GUIDELINES: Applicants are required to have of **30 hours** of documented clinical observation in Occupational Therapy in a minimum of two different OT Settings (see below for setting descriptions). The form that is included in the application packet may be duplicated and used for documenting observations.

1. **The required minimum 30 hours must be with a registered or licensed occupational therapist who is providing treatment.** Time spent with other rehabilitation personnel will NOT meet the required 30 hours criteria. **ONLY OT OBSERVATIONS VERIFIED IN WRITING BY A REGISTERED LICENSED OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST WILL BE ACCEPTED**
2. **At least twenty (20) hours of observation in an OT practice setting (examples below) is strongly recommended.** Note, a sustained observation experience is considered beneficial to the applicant's preparation for entering the profession of occupational therapy.

EXAMPLES OF SETTINGS IN WHICH TO OBSERVE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (Minimum of 2 settings required)

Physical dysfunction treatment setting

Treatment in a hospital, rehabilitation agency, home health, work evaluation center. Common diagnoses seen would be strokes, head injuries, spinal cord injuries, orthopedic conditions, cardiac conditions.

Mental health treatment setting

Treatment in a mental health unit, a psychiatric hospital, a community treatment program. Common diagnoses seen would be schizophrenia, adjustment disorder, depression, dementia.

Pediatric treatment setting

School-based practice, children's hospital, children's out-patient agency, home-based therapy. Common diagnoses seen would be cerebral palsy, severely multiply handicapped, developmental disabilities, high risk infants.

USE OF OT OBSERVATION FORMS *(FORM MAY BE DUPLICATED)*

- This form is to be used to record the required 30 hours of observation.
- Use a different form for each facility or observation site.
- OT Observation forms are to be returned by the applicant with the application materials.
- If you have documented observations in a letter or a different form, complete the applicant's portion of the OT Observation Form and attach the OT Observation Form to the documentation and submit with the OT application materials. Be sure required information and signature by OTR is included.