

## Lewis University

### Professional Licensure Disclosure

#### Master's of Science in Occupational Therapy

Lewis university has compiled the following resources to ensure students have information about educational requirements for professional licensure and certification in all U.S. states. The charts below provide links to state licensing agencies and boards of higher education and reports whether Lewis's program in Occupational Therapy meets, does not meet or it has not yet been determined if it meets licensure or certification requirements for each state.

Lewis's occupational therapy master's degree program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) which is located at 7501 Wisconsin Ave., Suite 510E, Bethesda MD 20814 (301) 652-6611 [www.acoteonline.org](http://www.acoteonline.org).

Occupational therapy graduates have completed 24 weeks of Level II fieldwork within 18 months following completion of the didactic portion of the program. At that time the graduate will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT®). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be considered an Occupational Therapist, Registered (OTR). In addition, all states require licensure in order to practice. State licenses are usually based on the result of the NBCOT Certification Examination. Note that a felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure.

Students interested in becoming a licensed Occupational Therapist, in Illinois or another U.S state or territory, should inform themselves about licensure requirements in the state or territory in which they intend to live and work.

#### State by State Licensure Requirements

The chart below details whether Lewis University's program in Occupational Therapy, guided by the student handbook and catalog meet the licensure and certification requirements of the following states:

| State       | Meets Requirements? | Link to State Licensure Board   |
|-------------|---------------------|---|
| Alabama     | Yes                 | <a href="http://www.ot.alabama.gov/">http://www.ot.alabama.gov/</a>   |
| Alaska      | Yes                 | <a href="https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/PhysicalTherapyOccupationalTherapy">https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/PhysicalTherapyOccupationalTherapy</a>   |
| Arizona     | Yes                 | <a href="http://ot.az.gov/Yes">http://ot.az.gov/Yes</a>   |
| Arkansas    | Yes                 | <a href="http://www.armedicalboard.org/Professionals/OccupationalTherapistandAssistant.aspx">http://www.armedicalboard.org/Professionals/OccupationalTherapistandAssistant.aspx</a>   |
| California  | Yes                 | <a href="http://www.bot.ca.gov/">http://www.bot.ca.gov/</a>   |
| Colorado    | Yes                 | <a href="https://dpo.colorado.gov/OccupationalTherapy">https://dpo.colorado.gov/OccupationalTherapy</a>   |
| Connecticut | Yes                 | <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/dph/practitioner-licensing--investigations/occupational-therapist/ot-licensure-requirements?language=en_US">https://portal.ct.gov/dph/practitioner-licensing--investigations/occupational-therapist/ot-licensure-requirements?language=en_US</a> |
| Delaware    | Yes                 | <a href="https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/occupationaltherapy/licensure/">https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/occupationaltherapy/licensure/</a>   |

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| District of Columbia | Yes | <a href="https://dchealth.dc.gov/release/board-occupational1-therapy-0">https://dchealth.dc.gov/release/board-occupational1-therapy-0</a>   |
| Florida              | Yes | <a href="https://floridasoccupationaltherapy.gov/occupational-therapist/">https://floridasoccupationaltherapy.gov/occupational-therapist/</a>   |
| Georgia              | Yes | <a href="https://sos.ga.gov/how-to-guide/how-guide-occupational-therapist#Occupational%20Therapist%20Licensure">https://sos.ga.gov/how-to-guide/how-guide-occupational-therapist#Occupational%20Therapist%20Licensure</a>   |
| Hawaii               | Yes | <a href="https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/occupational/">https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/occupational/</a>   |
| Idaho                | NO  | <a href="https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/DOPLPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=OCT">https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/DOPLPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=OCT</a>   |
| Illinois             | Yes | <a href="https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/occtherapy.html">https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/occtherapy.html</a>   |
| Indiana              | Yes | <a href="https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/occupational-therapy-home/occupational-therapy-licensing-information/">https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/occupational-therapy-home/occupational-therapy-licensing-information/</a>   |
| Iowa                 | Yes | <a href="https://dial.iowa.gov/licenses/health-professions/pt-ot/how-do-i-ot-license">https://dial.iowa.gov/licenses/health-professions/pt-ot/how-do-i-ot-license</a>   |
| Kansas               | Yes | <a href="https://www.ksbha.ks.gov/forms/licensing">https://www.ksbha.ks.gov/forms/licensing</a>   |
| Kentucky             | Yes | <a href="http://bot.ky.gov/">http://bot.ky.gov/</a>   |
| Louisiana            | Yes | <a href="https://www.lsbme.la.gov/">https://www.lsbme.la.gov/</a>   |
| Maine                | Yes | <a href="https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-occupational-therapy-practice">https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-occupational-therapy-practice</a>   |
| Maryland             | Yes | <a href="https://health.maryland.gov/botp/Pages/online_services.aspx">https://health.maryland.gov/botp/Pages/online_services.aspx</a>   |
| Massachusetts        | Yes | <a href="https://pcshq.com/health-related-professions-massachusetts/occupational-therapist/">https://pcshq.com/health-related-professions-massachusetts/occupational-therapist/</a>   |
| Michigan             | Yes | <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/en/lara/bureau-list/bpl/health/hp-lic-health-prof/ot">https://www.michigan.gov/en/lara/bureau-list/bpl/health/hp-lic-health-prof/ot</a>   |
| Mississippi          | Yes | <a href="https://www.msdhpl.webapps.ms.gov/NewApplication/Default.aspx">https://www.msdhpl.webapps.ms.gov/NewApplication/Default.aspx</a>   |
| Missouri             | Yes | <a href="https://pr.mo.gov/octherapy.asp">https://pr.mo.gov/octherapy.asp</a>   |
| Montana              | Yes | <a href="https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/occupational-therapy/">https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/occupational-therapy/</a>   |
| Nebraska             | Yes | <a href="https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Occupational-Therapy.aspx">https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Occupational-Therapy.aspx</a>   |
| Nevada               | Yes | <a href="https://www.nvot.org/">https://www.nvot.org/</a>   |
| New Hampshire        | Yes | <a href="https://www.oplc.nh.gov/find-board/occupational-therapists-governing-board/occupational-therapists-applications">https://www.oplc.nh.gov/find-board/occupational-therapists-governing-board/occupational-therapists-applications</a>   |
| New Jersey           | Yes | <a href="https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/ot/Pages/applications.aspx">https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/ot/Pages/applications.aspx</a>   |
| New Mexico           | Yes | <a href="https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/occupational-therapy/licensing-registration-and-renewal/">https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/occupational-therapy/licensing-registration-and-renewal/</a> |
| New York             | Yes | <a href="https://www.op.nysed.gov/occupational-therapists">https://www.op.nysed.gov/occupational-therapists</a>   |
| North Carolina       | Yes | <a href="https://www.ncbot.org/#">https://www.ncbot.org/#</a>   |
| North Dakota         | Yes | <a href="https://www.ndotboard.com/apply/index.asp">https://www.ndotboard.com/apply/index.asp</a>   |
| Ohio                 | Yes | <a href="https://otptat.ohio.gov/occupational-therapy/licensing">https://otptat.ohio.gov/occupational-therapy/licensing</a>   |
| Oklahoma             | Yes | <a href="https://www.okmedicalboard.org/occupational_therapists#forms-resources">https://www.okmedicalboard.org/occupational_therapists#forms-resources</a>   |
| Oregon               | Yes | <a href="https://otlb.us.thenticcloud.net/webs/otlb/application/#/login">https://otlb.us.thenticcloud.net/webs/otlb/application/#/login</a>   |
| Pennsylvania         | Yes | <a href="https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dos/department-and-offices/bpoa/boards-commissions/occupational-therapy">https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dos/department-and-offices/bpoa/boards-commissions/occupational-therapy</a>   |

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| Puerto Rico    | Not determined | <a href="https://www.pr51st.com/reciprocal-licensing-in-puerto-rico/">https://www.pr51st.com/reciprocal-licensing-in-puerto-rico/</a>   |
| Rhode Island   | Yes            | <a href="https://health.ri.gov/occupational-therapists">https://health.ri.gov/occupational-therapists</a>   |
| South Carolina | Yes            | <a href="https://llr.sc.gov/ot/pub.aspx">https://llr.sc.gov/ot/pub.aspx</a>   |
| South Dakota   | Yes            | <a href="https://www.sdbmoe.gov/professions-occupational-therapist-ot/">https://www.sdbmoe.gov/professions-occupational-therapist-ot/</a>   |
| Tennessee      | Yes            | <a href="https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/ot-board/opt-board/applications.html">https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/ot-board/opt-board/applications.html</a>   |
| Texas          | Yes            | <a href="https://ptot.texas.gov/ot-application/">https://ptot.texas.gov/ot-application/</a>   |
| Utah           | Yes            | <a href="https://commerce.utah.gov/dopl/occupational-therapy/">https://commerce.utah.gov/dopl/occupational-therapy/</a>   |
| Vermont        | Yes            | <a href="https://sos.vermont.gov/occupational-therapy/forms-instructions/">https://sos.vermont.gov/occupational-therapy/forms-instructions/</a>   |
| Virginia       | Yes            | <a href="https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Medicine/PractitionerResources/ApplicationInstructionsandForms/">https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Medicine/PractitionerResources/ApplicationInstructionsandForms/</a>   |
| Washington     | Yes            | <a href="https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/occupational-therapist-and-occupational-therapy-assistant/licensing-information">https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/occupational-therapist-and-occupational-therapy-assistant/licensing-information</a> |
| West Virginia  | Yes            | <a href="https://wvbot.wv.gov/new-applicants-non-wv-resident">https://wvbot.wv.gov/new-applicants-non-wv-resident</a>   |
| Wisconsin      | Yes            | <a href="https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/OccupationalTherapist/Default.aspx">https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/OccupationalTherapist/Default.aspx</a>   |
| Wyoming        | Yes            | <a href="https://occupationaltherapy.wyo.gov/professionals/applications">https://occupationaltherapy.wyo.gov/professionals/applications</a>   |

Questions, concerns, and complaints: Students with questions about their major should contact their academic advisor.

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