

Policy Title: Education and Fieldwork Qualifications	Replaces former policy: ☑ Title: COTBC Education Fieldwork Qualifications	
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Policy Statement:

An Applicant to the Designated Health Profession of Occupational Therapy (an "Applicant") will be considered to have met the academic qualifications for registration if they have completed one of the Canadian occupational therapy education programs approved by the College, as listed in Appendix A.

An Applicant who has not graduated from a Canadian occupational therapy education program approved by the College must provide evidence that they have fulfilled the educational requirements by demonstrating academic equivalency, as described in Schedule 3, 1.1.1 and 1.3 of the CHCPBC Bylaws.

The Registration Committee requires an external review of an Applicant's education and fieldwork to confirm whether their academic qualification may be considered substantially equivalent to a baccalaureate degree in occupational therapy obtained in Canada. This review is completed at the expense of the Applicant.

1. Policy Rationale and Purpose:

This policy provides further guidance relating to the requirements for education and fieldwork, including approved degree programs, and the verification requirements for Applicants who have completed their education and fieldwork through degree programs *not* approved by the College.

2. Policy Scope:

This policy applies to Applicants to the Designated Health Profession of Occupational Therapy.

3. Legal Authority:

• CHCPBC Bylaws, Schedule 3, 1.1.1, 1.3 and Table 1



4. Key Partnerships:

• Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy University Programs (ACOTUP)

5. Definitions:

N/A

6. Process Check:

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7. Resources/References:

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Appendices

Appendix A

Recognized Occupational Therapy Programs in Canada

All degrees conferred within the dates identified are recognized as meeting entry-to-practice requirements for registration in the Designated Health Profession of Occupational Therapy.

University	Entry Level Degree	Date Degree FIRST Conferred	Date Degree LAST Conferred
Dalhousie University	BSc(OT) → Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	1985	2008
	MSc(OT) → Master of Science in Occupational Therapy	2008	
Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières	Maîtrise en ergothérapie (M. Sc.)	2012	
Université Laval	B. Sc. Santé (ergothérapie) Baccalauréat ès sciences de la santé (ergothérapie)	1973	2010
	Maîtrise en ergothérapie (M. Erg.)	2012	
Université de Sherbrooke	Maîtrise en ergothérapie (M. ERG.)	2011	
Université de Montréal	B. Sc. (ergothérapie) Baccalauréat ès sciences (ergothérapie)	1972	2009
	Maîtrise ès sciences en ergothérapie (M. Sc.)	2009	
McGill University	B. Sc. (Occ. Ther.) → Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	1975	2009
	M.Sc.A. (O.T.) → Master of Science, Applied, in Occupational Therapy	2010	



University	Entry Level Degree	Date Degree FIRST Conferred	Date Degree LAST Conferred
University of Ottawa	BSc(OT) → Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	1991	2009
	MSc(OT) → Master of Health Sciences in Occupational Therapy	2009	
Queen's University	BSc(OT) → Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	1973	2006
	MSc(OT) → Master of Science in Occupational Therapy	2006	
University of Toronto	BSc(OT) → Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	1974	2002
	MSc(OT) → Master of Science in Occupational Therapy	2003	
McMaster University	BHSc(OT) → Bachelor of Health Science in Occupational Therapy	1992	2001
	MSc(OT) → Master of Science in Occupational Therapy	2000	
University of Western Ontario	BSc(OT) → Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	1974	1998
	M.CI.Sc.,OT → Master of Clinical Science in Occupational Therapy	1998	2003
	MSc(OT) → Master of Science in Occupational Therapy	2003	
University of Manitoba	BMR(OT) → Bachelor of Medical Rehabilitation (Occupational Therapy)	1979	2004
	MOT → Master of Occupational Therapy	2005	
University of Alberta	BSc(OT) → Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	1978	2008
	MSc(OT) → Master of Science in Occupational Therapy	2003	



University	Entry Level Degree	Date Degree FIRST Conferred	Date Degree LAST Conferred
University of British Columbia	BSc(OT) → Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	1986	2005
	MOT → Master of Occupational Therapy	2006	