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Occupational Therapy Academic Standards Statement
(return this form to the Occupational Therapy Program)

Name: _____

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To: Program in Occupational Therapy

I wish to apply to the Occupational Therapy Program. I am aware of the criteria I must meet each year in order to maintain my status in the Program.

I understand I must maintain a minimum overall 3.0 grade point average and may not receive more than two grades below "B-" to meet OT Program and graduate school academic standards. To assure competence for clinical practice I understand I may be required to repeat a course or complete other remedial work for any course where I earn a grade lower than "B". I agree to these requirements and understand that failure to do so could result in my dismissal from the program.

I understand that I must demonstrate effective interpersonal communication skills and judgment to remain in good standing and in order to participate in the fieldwork education component of the program. I agree to maintain these standards at all times. I understand that faculty retains the final decision to approve students for fieldwork placements.

The occupational therapy education process includes multiple fieldwork experiences for which there are health and legal clearances required including: yearly physical examinations, immunizations, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation certification (CPR), criminal background check, and child abuse clearance, as well as active health insurance coverage. In addition many settings require students to be fingerprinted, undergo a drug screening, and/or gain clearance from the PA Sex Offender Registry. Students are responsible for the arrangements and costs of these processes, as well as for transportation and costs associated with fieldwork experiences. Information regarding how to meet these requirements is provided by the program.

I understand that I must be continuously matriculated in the program. In the event a leave of absence is required, this must be requested and approved by Occupational Therapy Program faculty in order for the student to maintain a place in the program and eventually be eligible to graduate. A formal leave of absence must also be filed through appropriate University offices (see catalogue for more information).

I understand that it is my responsibility to review the additions and amendments to the Occupational Therapy Student Handbook on an annual basis while a member of the program.

(Signature)

(Date)