

Introduction to Occupational Therapy

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We're delighted you're considering joining our friendly student community at Brunel University London.

Studying occupational therapy at Brunel helps you learn to play an active role in understanding and improving the lives of your patients. You'll also benefit from 28 weeks of practice placements on your degree and access to purpose-built occupational therapy facilities which mirror real clinical environments.

Our lecturers have put together the following information to help you prepare for your course. This will give you a snapshot of the materials and reading list you'll be using. You'll get a full breakdown of information before you enrol.

On our website you can also [find out more about your modules](#) and [chat to a current student](#).

If you have any more questions, [please get in touch](#).

We look forward to welcoming you to Brunel.

Reading list

Practice placement one

- Polglase, Tracey. (2012) The occupational therapy handbook practice education. Keswick : M&K Update
- Alsop A, Ryan S (1999) Making the Most of Fieldwork Education: A Practical Approach. London, Chapman & Hall.

Professional development

- Reynolds, F. (2005). Communication and clinical effectiveness in rehabilitation. Oxford: Butterworth-Heinemann
- Hammell, Karen Whalley (2006) Perspectives on disability & rehabilitation: contesting assumptions, challenging practice Ashcroft, Richard E (2007) Principles of health care ethics. (2nd edition) Chichester. John Wiley

Knowledge and skills for occupational therapy

- Atwal A & McIntyre A. (2013). Occupational therapy and older people (2nd edition). Chichester. Wiley-Blackwell
- Curtin M, Egan, M & Adams J (2017). Occupational Therapy for People Experiencing Illness, Injury or Impairment: Promoting occupation and participation, 7th edition (Occupational Therapy Essentials). Elsevier



Knowledge and skills for occupational therapy

- Bryant, W. Fieldhouse, J, & Bannigan, K. (2015) Creek's Occupational therapy in Mental Health. 5th edition. Edinburgh: Churchill Livingstone Elsevier.
- Cole, M. B. (2018) Group dynamics in occupational therapy the theoretical basis and practice application of group intervention 5th edition Thorofare, New Jersey: Slack Inc.
- Duncan EAS. (ed) (2009) Skills for Practice in Occupational Therapy. Edinburgh: Churchill Livingstone Elsevier.
- Gross, R. (2015) Psychology: Science of Mind & Behaviour. 7th edition. Oxford: Hodder & Stoughton.
- Sumsion T (2006) Client-centred practice in occupational therapy: a guide to implementation. (2nd edition). Edinburgh: Churchill Livingstone.

Human sciences

- Atchison B & Powers Durette J (editors) (2017) Conditions in occupational therapy: effect on occupational performance. (5th edition) Philadelphia. Wolters Kluwer
- Case-Smith, J (2017). Occupational therapy for children and adolescents. (7th edition).
- Maskill L & Tempest S (editors) (2017) Neuropsychology for Occupational Therapists: cognition in occupational performance. (4th edition) Oxford. Blackwell Publishing.
- McMillan IR; Carin-Levy, C & Tyldesley B.. (2012) Tyldesley & Grieve's Muscles, nerves, and movement in human occupation. (4th edition) Chichester. Wiley-Blackwell.
- Thompson CW & Floyd RT (1998) Manual of structural kinesiology. (13th edition) McGraw-Hill. Singapore

Online resources

- [A phenomenological study of occupational engagement in recovery from mental illness](#)
- [Children and young people's perspectives and experiences of a community wheelchair basketball club and its impact on daily life](#)
- [In the Footsteps of Wilcock, Part One: The Evolution of Doing, Being, Becoming, and Belonging](#)
- [Occupational Balance: What Tips the Scales for New Students?](#)
- [The British Journal of Occupational Therapy](#)