## ADMISSION APPLICATION CHECKLIST DOCTOR OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PROGRAM

All requirements for admission must be completed and submitted by the January 15<sup>th</sup> deadline. We strongly recommend completing your application requirements by December 1<sup>st</sup> so that all materials are received before the application deadline of January 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **FRESHMAN ADMISSION**

- Declare intent to pursue option with Department of Occupational Therapy program advisor by November 1 of the freshman year.
- □ Take all coursework at UCA.
- Attend three SPOT (Students for Pre-Occupational Therapy) meetings each year (12 total meetings in 4 years).
- Maintain at least a 3.7 cumulative GPA every semester and a 3.5 GPA for all occupational therapy prerequisite course work.
- Submit GRE revised General Test (August 2011) scores OTCAS. OTCAS GRE code 7416; score at least 150 on Verbal, 150 on Quantitative, and 4 on Analytical Writing sections.
- Complete a minimum of 20 hours volunteer/observation experience under the supervision of one licensed occupational therapist (*supervision by an OTA will <u>not</u> be accepted*); the therapist must submit a performance rating from this experience (form and specific instructions are available from the Department of Occupational Therapy website: www.uca.edu/ot).
- Complete all prerequisite course work by the end of the fall semester prior to the spring graduate OT program application deadline (January 15 of each year). Occupational therapy prerequisite coursework 10 years or older will not be accepted.
- Complete the online application through the Occupational Therapist Centralized Application Service (OTCAS) at <u>www.otcas.org</u> by January 15<sup>th</sup> of the year of planned enrollment.
- Complete a baccalaureate degree at UCA by May of the year of planned enrollment.

## **REGULAR ADMISSION**

- Possess a cumulative GPA of 2.75 minimum based on a 4.0 scale or possess at least a 3.0 GPA on the last 60 hours of course work on a 4.0 scale.
- Submit GRE revised General Test (August 2011) and GRE Analytical Writing scores to OTCAS. OTCAS GRE code 7416.
- □ Complete a minimum of 20 hours volunteer/observation experience under the supervision of one licensed occupational therapist (*supervision by an OTA will <u>not</u> be accepted*); the therapist must submit a performance rating from this experience (form and specific instructions are available from the Department of Occupational Therapy website: <u>www.uca.edu/ot</u>).
- □ Complete all occupational therapy prerequisite course work, with a grade of C or better, by the end of the fall semester prior to the spring graduate OT program application **deadline (January 15 of each year).** Occupational therapy prerequisite course work 10 years or older will not be accepted.
- Complete the online application through the Occupational Therapist Centralized Application Service (OTCAS) at <u>www.otcas.org</u> by January 15<sup>th</sup> of the year of planned enrollment.
- □ Complete a baccalaureate degree by May of the year of planned enrollment.

Upon conditional acceptance into the program, instructions will be provided on how to apply to the Graduate School at the University of Central Arkansas.