## **Preferred Admissions Program**

The Wingate Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD) program will give preferential consideration to applicants who earn their baccalaureate degree from Wingate University. Students are guaranteed an interview with the OTD program; however, the interview is not a guarantee of admission. Admission is provisional until the student has successfully completed all of the admission requirements listed below.

- Complete a four-year baccalaureate degree at Wingate University
- At least a 3.0 overall Grade Point Average (GPA) in all coursework
- At least a 3.0 GPA in all prerequisite coursework
- A grade of C or better in all prerequisite coursework
- Complete the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) within the past 5 years
- Three letters of recommendation; at least one from an occupational therapist and one from a professor/advisor
- Complete a minimum of 40 hours of clinical observation with an occupational therapist in at least two practice settings with different aged clients
- Apply using the Occupational Therapy Centralized Application Service (OTCAS) at otcas.liasoncas.com
- A complete application and all required supporting materials MUST be received prior to the application deadline date. Application dates and admission requirements will be available on the WU OTD website www.otd.wingate.edu, along with instructions on how to apply through the OTCAS website. The OTD program operates on a rolling admissions process so submitting applications for consideration as early as possible is highly recommended. While the Preferred Admissions program is not a guarantee of admission/acceptance into the OTD program, strong consideration is given.
- Participation in the Pre-Occupational Therapy
   Professional Club is also strongly recommended as
   this allows undergraduate students to stay
   connected with the OTD program.

## Questions?

If you've already been admitted to Wingate, contact the Department of Occupational Therapy via email at **otd@wingate.edu** or call Natalie Clark, Admissions Coordinator, at **704-233-8674**.

Still in the process of your college search? Reach out to the undergraduate Office of Admissions via email at admit@wingate.edu or call 704-233-8200.