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MASTER of SCIENCE in OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

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The education you need.  
The care your patients deserve.

For those who experience adversity because of physical, mental or developmental challenges, an occupational therapist teaches skills and ways to adapt for the successful accomplishment of daily tasks. Touro University Nevada’s Master of Science in Occupational Therapy program’s mission is to educate occupational therapists to be adept at making a positive impact on a diverse array of patients – including children with autism, adults with spinal cord injuries, teens with substance abuse problems, elders with chronic disease management issues and many more.

As an occupational therapist, you will be required to demonstrate an unwavering commitment to your clients. As an occupational therapy student you will be attending a university committed to every aspect of your professional development.

As a Jewish-sponsored independent institution of higher learning that is part of the international Touro College & University System, we inspire students to be caring professionals who teach, lead and serve. Throughout every class, every lab and every interaction with faculty and your fellow students, you’ll find a deep commitment to the Judaic tenets of social justice, intellectual pursuit, and service to others. An essential part of these core tenets is an openness to all faiths, which is why you’ll find Touro University Nevada is home to students of all backgrounds, cultures, and interests.

“ I chose Touro because the occupational therapy program allowed us to interact with students from other medical disciplines such as physical therapy, osteopathic medicine, and physician’s assistant studies – all of whom are potential members of an interdisciplinary team.”

Meghrik Isaghohi  
OT, Class of 2013
Where university converges with family.

Touro University Nevada is different. Within our modern, non-traditional campus facilities, you will find prestigious faculty and administrators from diverse academic and professional backgrounds who have come together for one common purpose: your success.

Each year, we carefully select applicants to join our Master of Science in Occupational Therapy program. We provide a high level of focus and individual attention to each student.

You will find faculty and administrators who are genuinely invested in helping you achieve and a small campus environment where the faculty know each student by name. Our diverse student body includes individuals who have joined us from a wide array of institutions from across the country. Together, our campus community comprises people who make up a rich mosaic of backgrounds and experiences.

Chances are, you will feel like you are not just part of a university; you are part of a family.
To be a Touro student is to be your best.

Touro University Nevada’s Master of Science in Occupational Therapy program offers a range of educational experiences that are as diverse as the kinds of clients you will treat. Our program is distinctive in its rich combination of lecture and discussion, community service, skills labs and supervised fieldwork in the community.

Throughout the program, you will be challenged to make classroom presentations designed specifically to enhance your communication skills. At the culmination of the program, students are also required to complete a capstone project. This capstone experience comprises two components: a portfolio project and a systemic review project.

We continually search for inventive ways to further your success. This includes our online library and the availability of most lectures as downloadable video. The program’s small class size means you are also assured an education that is as personalized as it is challenging.

“It was great to attend an institution that encouraged students and staff to get involved in the community and make a difference. I was impressed when I learned that the occupational therapy program at Touro adopted community service as a key aspect of its curriculum and that it is incorporated into every semester.”

Daniel DeAngelo
OT, Class of 2013

Touro has affiliation agreements with area hospitals and local occupational therapy offices so students can complete their clinic work without having to leave the state. However, for students who seek opportunities for rotations in other parts of the country, there are also a number of rotation sites available.
It’s not our campus. It’s yours.

The Touro University Nevada campus is the heart of your educational experience. Consistent with our unique approach to education, our campus is a collection of state-of-the-art lab spaces, lecture rooms, community focused clinics and administrative offices in a single expansive building.

The campus facility is open to all students from 6 a.m. until 2 a.m. That means nearly round-the-clock access and fellowship – enhanced by the peace of mind you get from on-site security 24 hours a day.

You will find areas to congregate, study and relax as well. There is a gymnasium for basketball, volleyball and other activities next to a fitness center with cardio and weight-training equipment. We also have private study rooms and a library with full online access 24 hours a day. And for those students who want to stay connected, we offer campus-wide wi-fi.

“Touro is really great at making opportunities available for students to get involved from activities specific to the different programs to school-wide clubs that meet with other students from all over campus. Touro’s small campus size lent itself to many opportunities and helped me grow as a person and a future clinician.”

Michelle Coolidge
OT, Class of 2013
Here for you. And the community, too.

Though we are part of an international university system, we came to Nevada to serve. The Touro University Nevada campus was opened as an answer to the area’s need for greater access to health care. As a student, you will be an integral part of that important work.

Touro offers students a variety of ways to give back to the community. Occupational therapy students partner with physical therapy students to provide free services to clients at Easter Seals. Faculty and students also attend community events to promote health and safety programs like CarFit and Falls Prevention.

Our campus is home to Nevada’s only comprehensive diagnostic and treatment center for children with autism and developmental disabilities. We also have a multi-specialty health center and active aging center staffed by faculty physicians and clinicians that is open to the public.

You will also have a wealth of opportunities to volunteer through the many student clubs and organizations that strengthen our campus and the community. Leadership through service is essential to the Touro mission, which means a significant portion of your classwork will stitch you into the fabric of the community.

HIGHLIGHT

Whether students wish to work with children with autism, adults with spinal cord injuries, teens with substance abuse problems, or elders with chronic pain management – there are opportunities for independent study working with clinicians in the community.
Education with momentum.

Touro College & University System dates back several decades, but Touro University Nevada is a relatively young institution. For our students, this provides a rare opportunity: the chance to shape one of the region’s foremost schools of occupational therapy.

In a little more than ten years, our vibrant student population has created rites of passage and traditions completely unique to Touro University Nevada. We have a community that is continually growing and a culture that is always evolving. We will connect you with clubs and organizations that help you further your career along with prestigious honor societies that will recognize your commitment to excellence.

Momentum is what defines Touro University Nevada. Move forward with us.

The Student Occupational Therapy Association promotes Occupational Therapy awareness and connects students with the local occupational therapy community. Pi Theta Epsilon Honor Society recognizes students in the top 35%.
A place to learn. A place to live.

Your educational experience should be enriched beyond the classroom, the clinic or the hospital. Students find Southern Nevada an exciting place to call home.

Touro University Nevada is located in Henderson, Nevada, just minutes from the world-famous city of Las Vegas. Yet the region offers much beyond the glitz and glamour. You will find camping and hiking amid the crimson peaks of Red Rock Canyon, boating and water skiing at Lake Mead, and more than 300 sunny days a year.

Henderson is a quiet, mid-sized city with a wealth of sophisticated shopping, dining and entertainment options. Affordable nearby housing keeps you close to it all, without taking you too far from campus. Henderson has been ranked by Business Week as one of America’s 50 Best Cities and also earned the 2nd Safest City designation by Forbes Magazine.

“Touro is a great school where I got to pursue my passion for helping others. It is where the hard work took place, and now I can use my talents and interests to better the life of others.”

John Pehanich
OT, Class of 2013

Thank you for your interest in Touro University Nevada and a career as an occupational therapist. It’s a field reserved for the most committed and dedicated health professionals. Likewise, ours is an institution for enthusiastic and engaged learners. If you count yourself among that group, we would be honored to count you among our students.

To learn more about the Occupational Therapy program and Touro University Nevada, we invite you to visit www.tun.touro.edu.
Program Features

- Focused education based on whole-person care
- Hands-on experience in laboratory classroom settings
- Extensive supervised fieldwork with community clinicians
- Accessible and involved faculty
- Interdisciplinary education opportunities
- Inclusive campus environment

Admission Information

- Applicants must have a bachelor’s degree.
- Minimum 3.0 prerequisite and overall GPA
- Prerequisites in English, humanities, statistics, anatomy and psychology, natural science, and human development
- Primary application through OTCAS
- Eligible candidates will be invited to complete a supplemental application and will be considered for campus interviews

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ACCREDITATION AND APPROVALS: Touro University Nevada is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. The School of Occupational Therapy is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA). Touro University Nevada is licensed in Nevada by the Commission on Post-Secondary Education.

TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID: For current tuition rates and information on financial aid, please visit our website or contact the office of Financial Aid: 702-777-3076; financial.aid@tun.touro.edu.

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