

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN REHABILITATION SCIENCE

The Master of Science in Rehabilitation Science (MSRS) Program offers an advanced masters degree for physical and occupational therapists who have completed their professional training at the bachelor's level. MSRS courses will be taught in a face-to-face format by current faculty in the Physical and Occupational Therapy Departments at Concordia University Wisconsin. This degree is designed so students can complete all requirements to graduate in a 12-month period. Students will begin the program in the fall (late August). The remaining course work will be completed during the subsequent spring and summer semesters. Students will be allowed to matriculate into the program only during the late August start time and are encouraged to complete the degree within one year (full time).

Mission Statement

The mission statement of the Master of Science Degree in Rehabilitation Science is to provide physical and occupational therapists with an evidence-based and clinically-focused curriculum intended to increase knowledge of and exposure to practice skills and areas.

Program Learning Outcomes

The three main objectives of the Master of Science in Rehabilitation Science degree are to provide currently practicing clinicians with:

1. Advanced evidence-based knowledge in specialty areas of clinical practice that will enhance clinical decision making;
2. Advanced research skills that will increase the amount and quality of clinic-based research conducted;
3. Advanced leadership skills to provide services in new and emerging practice areas.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
MSRS 505	Scientific Writing in Rehabilitation Science	4
MSRS 515	Evidence-Based Practice in Rehabilitation	4
MSRS 560	Pediatric Conditions and Practice Environments	4
MSRS 630	Adult Orthopedic Conditions and Practice Environments	4
MSRS 650	Research Project and Applications in International Practice	4
MSRS 550	Adult Neurological Conditions and Practice	4
MSRS 610	Industrial Rehabilitation and Practice Environments	4
MSRS 620	Gerontology Conditions and Practice Environments	4

Program Admission

The minimum criteria for admission are:

- Undergraduate degree in occupational therapy or physical therapy
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 2.5 or better in undergraduate degree based on credential evaluation by an outside agency or evaluation by admissions staff in the Office of International Student Services at CUW
- TOEFL or IELTS exam scores (this does not apply to applicants whose language of instruction for their OT or PT degree was in English). For

the TOEFL, Concordia University requires a minimum score of 213 (computer-based), 79 80 (internet-based), or 550 (paper-based). A minimum score of 6.5 (overall band score) on the IELTS is required (minimum score of 6 in all areas). Students completing an approved ESL program may be exempt from taking the TOEFL or IELTS

Complete the online application (www.cuw.edu/apply (<http://www.cuw.edu/apply/>)) and submit the following items:

- Application fee of \$50.00 USD online or send money order or cashier's check
- Official transcripts from all schools attended. If the transcripts are not in English, please have them translated into English and attested
- TOEFL or IELTS scores
- A brief, typed resume (please include any previous clinical experience)
- A one-page statement of purpose stating why you would like to enroll at CUW
- Two (2) reference letters from previous teachers and/or employers
- A bank statement with the balance converted into U.S. dollars. If a relative or parent is sponsoring you, please submit their letter of support along with their bank statements. If a company is sponsoring you, please have that company write a letter of support and provide a financial statement from the company on company letterhead. If your degree would be financed by a scholarship, please provide proof of scholarship
- While there is no requirement for standardized testing such as GRE or Miller Analogies, students who have taken these exams may submit results to strengthen their application