

# INSTITUTE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (IET)

## **HISTORY**

The Institute of Occupational Therapy, affiliated with the Faculty of Medicine, was established in 2016 in collaboration with the University of Montreal. This profession complements the existing healthcare professions at USJ. It responds to the market demand for optimal care of individuals with disabilities.

## **MISSION**

- Train competent occupational therapists dedicated to improving occupational participation among a diverse clientele, and who are capable and willing to influence the scope and status of the profession.
- Promote research for students, instructors, and professional and institutional partners alike.
- Expand and enhance professional opportunities across Lebanon.
- Consolidate the Institute's position as a national and regional reference in the field of occupational therapy.
- Contribute to the official development of reserved and reimbursed occupational therapy procedures.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

**Director:** Carla MATTAB ABI ZEID

## **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

**Academic support officer:** Suzanne GHAFARY

**Administrative support officer:** Ghada KHATER

## **FACULTY**

### **Professor**

Carla MATTAB ABI ZEID

### **Lecturer**

Hiba ZEIN HAMOUD

### **Instructors**

Fadi ABI ZEID DAOU, George BACHIR, Marie BARHOUCHE ABOU SAAB, Reina BAZAZO, Rita BOU AKL MOUAWAD, Patrick CHABHAR, Alaa CHAHINE, Jolie CHALHOUB KHAIRALLAH, Fatima CHEHOURI, Fadi DACCACHE, Elina (EL) DIRANI, Elsa FADEL, Patricia FADEL, Eliane FAHED, Hadi FAKIH, May GERGES HARFOUCHE SAMAH, Mayssa GHANNAM, Tala GHANTOUS BOU NADER, Joëlle HADDAD HADDAD, Michel HADDAD, Dina (EL) HASBINI, Hala (EL) HOMSY, Rouba ISSA, Jana (EL) KAZZI, Lea NAKHLE, Doha SLEIMAN, Doha YAHOUEFI, Myriam ZARZOUR JOUANI

### **Faculty members of another USJ institution**

Raymond BOU NADER, Gilles (EL) HAGE, Pascale KARAM BAROUD, Sandra KOBAITER, Joseph MAARRAWI, Sabine MEHANNA SOUBRA, Amer (EL) SEBAALY

## **DEGREES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES AWARDED**

Bachelor in Occupational Therapy

## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

Occupational therapists work as employees or self-employed professionals in diverse settings such as hospitals, clinics, rehabilitation centers, day hospitals, medico-psychological centers, shelters, private clinics, and healthcare centers. They also provide in-home care services and collaborate with equipment manufacturers and distributors. Occupational therapists might assess disabilities and propose interventions in diverse environments such as homes, schools, and workplaces.

Their practice respects the scope of intervention of other regulated professions.

## **TUITION FEES**

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124 Fresh US Dollars and 4,770,000 Lebanese Pounds (for semester 1), equivalent in Fresh US Dollars to 178 (exchange rate = 89,500 LBP)

## **SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNAL REGULATIONS OF STUDY**

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In addition to the common provisions present in Articles 8 and 27 of the Internal Regulations of Study, specific provisions concerning the IET internships are specified:

### *Article 8: Mandatory Attendance*

Absences during clinical internships within the IET program are not allowed.

Absences from internships, even if justified, must be compensated for. If a student is absent for more than 15% of the internship duration, they will be required to repeat the internship.

Students completing their internships off-campus must adhere to the regulations of both the Institute and the host institution.

An internship agreement is formalized between the USJ - Institute of Occupational Therapy and the institutions hosting internships. During their internship, every student is required to review, approve, and sign this agreement, or have it signed by their legal representative if they are a minor.

### *Article 27: Exam Sessions*

Clinical internships adhere to the continuous monitoring system. Internships that are not validated during the semester cannot be validated during the second session.