

**USC Discovery Scholars**  
**Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy**  
Submission Criteria



**Eligibility**

Discovery Scholars will:

- Have a minimum 3.5 overall GPA upon graduation
- Complete an undergraduate degree within five years
- Complete and submit an online application, letter of recommendation, and senior project as explained below by the annual deadline.

**Online Application**

Submit an online application via the Discovery Scholars website:

<http://ahf.usc.edu/scholars/discovery/apply/>

**Letter of Recommendation**

All Discovery Scholar submissions must include a letter of recommendation from a USC faculty member. Whenever possible, the letter should come from the faculty member who has supervised or mentored the student on the project being presented for consideration. The letter of recommendation should provide context for the student's work relative to: the student's overall achievement and performance in the program; the scope and quality of the student's contribution to the submitted project; the merit of the project relative to both the quality of work typically presented at the undergraduate level and the highest standards of the discipline; and the value and implications of the project in the field of study and beyond.

**Project Criteria**

Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy students will submit a research paper or project that explores issues in their academic field using resources and knowledge learned during their studies at USC.

**School Contact**

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