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# DALHOUSIE'S SCHOOL OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

STRATEGIC PLAN 2018–2023

## WHAT WE ARE STRIVING FOR — OUR VISION

Advancing well-being in everyday life through occupation, leadership, community, and challenging the status quo.

## WHY WE EXIST — OUR MISSION

To educate and generate research and scholarship about occupation, occupational therapy, and everyday life.

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**Advance**  
well-being  
and improve  
lives through  
occupation

2

**Cultivate**  
leadership

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**Enhance**  
collaboration  
and  
community

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**Challenge**  
the status  
quo

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**Mobilize**  
innovations in  
infrastructure  
and support

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**Advance**  
well-being and  
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occupation

***We/others recognize and celebrate that SOT is a place that supports occupational wellbeing***

- 1.1 Advocate for OT accessibility
- 1.2 Expand research in well-being and improving lives through occupation
- 1.3 Expand our commitment to well-being
- 1.4 Expand our influence and involvement in policy development

2

**Cultivate**  
leadership

***We are capable leaders and aware of the skills we possess***

- 2.1. Explain and amplify leadership in our language, actions and curricula
- 2.2 Create and provide leadership opportunities for students, staff, faculty and preceptors
- 2.3 Develop a culture of fostering leadership

3

**Enhance**  
collaboration  
and  
community

***Personally and collectively rewarding impact through strong relationships***

- 3.1 Strengthen relationships and collaboration among students, staff and faculty within the School
- 3.2 Strengthen reciprocal relationships between the School & its stakeholders
- 3.3 Provide capacity building opportunities for Atlantic OTs in education & research
- 3.4 Continuously enhance our curricula
- 3.5 Advance the OT profession

4

**Challenge**  
the status  
quo

***Acknowledged as critical thinkers and agents of change***

- 4.1 Expand the vision of the role of OT in improving everyday lives
- 4.2 Challenge the corporate climate driving academic and scholarly pursuit
- 4.3 Challenge inequities built into curricula
- 4.4 Advance diversity in the workforce

5

**Mobilize**  
innovations in  
infrastructure  
and support

***Our resources and systems effectively support our directions***

- 5.1 Update and integrate our technological infrastructure and support
- 5.2 Diversify and expand our revenue streams
- 5.3 Optimize our relationship with Advancement
- 5.4 Improve service delivery in the School to support our strategic directions