

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY, Columbus, OH

Doctor of Optometry degree, June 1997

Externship Rotation, Dayton Veterans Affairs Medical Center, June 1996-September 1996

Enrichment Clinic at the OSU Student Health Center, January 1997-March 1997

Enrichment Classes in Advanced Physiology of the Eye, Advanced Neuroanatomy

GPA: 3.87/4.00

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL, Columbus, OH

Master of Sciences degree in Physiological Optics, June 1997

THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA

Bachelor of Arts degree in Biological Basis of Behavior, May 1992

Concentration: Biological Psychology of Animal and Human Organisms

GPA: 3.43/4.00

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduated *summa cum laude*, The Ohio State University College of Optometry

Beta Sigma Kappa Silver Medal Award for highest GPA in graduating optometry class, 1997

Gold Key International Optometric Honor Society; Vice-President 1996-1997

Beta Sigma Kappa International Optometric Honor Society; President 1995-1996

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Bausch and Lomb Student Travel Fellowship Award to attend the American Academy of Optometry meeting, 1997

Vincent Salierno Scholarship, 1994-1997

E. F. Wildermuth Scholarship Fund, 1993-1997

Walmart Scholarship, 1997

Bausch and Lomb Student Leadership Award to attend the American Academy of Optometry meeting, 1995

Optometry Dean's List, 12 quarters

The Ohio State University Scholarship in Optometry, 1993-1997

Graduated *cum laude*, The University of Pennsylvania

CERTIFICATIONS

Georgia Optometry and Therapeutic License #1739

Ohio Optometry License # 4844

Ohio Therapeutic License #T1709

DEA #MF0362044

National Board of Examiners in Optometry Certificate

Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease Certificate

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

FIVE POINTS EYE CARE CENTER, Athens, GA

Owner and Optometrist. Private group practice specializing in contact lenses, pediatric and binocular vision, rehabilitative optometry and ocular disease. Referral center for ophthalmologists, optometrists and other health care providers. Provide free eye care to residents at Project Safe, Athens Battered Women's Shelter, referrals from local Lion's Clubs and Vision USA. Conduct vision and ocular health screenings for school children and at community health fairs. Created a charity eye clinic for uninsured low-income Hispanics with Catholic Sisters, the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Lecture extensively to community groups, pre-medical and pre-optometry students at the University of Georgia and other local medical practices about diabetic eye disease, general eye care and ocular disease. Pre-optometry mentor for University of Georgia students. Intern and extern site for Pennsylvania College of Optometry.

July 1999 – present.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM SCHOOL OF OPTOMETRY, Birmingham, AL

Assistant Professor, Clinical Optometry. Supervised and taught third and fourth year optometry students as attending optometrist in the Primary Care Clinic. Supervised community vision screenings in area schools and retirement communities. Faculty member of the clinical skills class taught to first and second year students which included overseeing laboratory practice sessions and lecturing on various clinical topics. Member of the Admissions Committee. Volunteered to oversee students who performed eye health exams on homeless people and free health screenings for the community. Designed and implemented a new comprehensive exam form for the Primary Care Clinic.

July 1998 – July 1999.

THE CHILlicothe VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER AND THE COLUMBUS VETERANS AFFAIRS OUTPATIENT CLINIC, Chillicothe and Columbus, OH

Optometry Resident, Hospital-Based and Primary Care Optometry. Management of ocular disease and the ocular manifestations of systemic disease in a primarily geriatric population. Importance of inter-professional correspondence to treat all health issues of patient stressed. Participated in grand rounds at the Ohio State University Ophthalmology Department. Rotated through twelve weeks each of low vision and contact lens clinic. Observed additional health care specialties including neurology, radiology, endocrinology, dermatology, and cardiology. Supervised and taught fourth year optometry students on extern rotation at the Columbus and Chillicothe eye clinics.

July 1997 – June 1998.

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY, Columbus, OH

Clinical Instructor, supervised second year optometry students in clinical lab for basic optometry skills. Demonstrated techniques and graded clinical practicals.

September 1997 – June 1998.

THE COLUMBUS VETERANS AFFAIRS OUTPATIENT CLINIC, Columbus, OH

Clinical Staff, provided hospital-based eye care.

October 1997 – June 1998.

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS

Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry
President of the Northeastern District of the Georgia Optometric Association, 1999-present
Member of the Athens Oconee Junior Woman's Club
Citizen of the Year, 2004
Seminar Co-coordinator for the Georgia Society of Professional Optometrists
Member of the Athens Heritage Lions Club
Member of the Athens Council for the Blind
Faculty member of Student Optometric Services to Humanity
Humanitarian trip to Costa Rica, February 1999
Member of the Georgia Optometric Association
Member of the Southern Council of Optometrists
Member of the American Optometric Association
Alumni Member of Epsilon Psi Epsilon Professional Optometric Fraternity
Student Council of the Ohio State University College of Optometry; Vice-President, 1995-1996

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

MASTERS THESIS, THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY, Columbus, OH

Acquired Visual Deficits Associated with Alzheimer's Disease, related visual deficits experienced by early Alzheimer's patients to damage to the m-cell or p-cell visual pathways using computer-generated color and luminance thresholds and spatial and temporal contrast sensitivity thresholds.
June 1994 - June 1997.

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY, Columbus, OH

Lab Assistant, investigated the ability of donated human corneal epithelial cells to attach and grow on different basement membrane inserts. Evaluated the progress of the cells and assessed the growth capacity of the cells on the various biological inserts. Modified cell culture techniques to solve difficulties in cell growth.
September 1993 - January 1995

CARDIOLOGY SECTION, HOSPITAL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA

Lab Technician, involved with studies investigating the effects of direct injection DNA plasmids on cardiac transplants and thymic tissues. Experience with rat heart transplant microsurgery, gel electrophoresis, DNA plasmid and protein purification, biochemical assays, immunohistochemistry and immunocytochemistry.
September 1991 - August 1993.

PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

Hot Cases, Cool Coding, COPE 14334-GO

Lecture presented at Georgia Optometric Association meetings, First presented August 2005

TechKnowledge Get Smart

Contributed to Vision Monday article on technology in eye care offices, November 2004

Diabetes and the Eye

Lecture presented to health care providers, diabetics and their families at the Northeast Georgia Diabetes Wellness Fair and to area primary care practices, November 2000- present

An Unusual Visual Field in a Patient with Partial Cortical Blindness

Poster presented at the American Academy of Optometry Annual Meeting, December 2000

Private Practice Panel

Panel lecturer to optometry students at the Southern Educational Conference for Optometry, February 2000

Tonometry Techniques II

Lecture presented to first year optometry students at the UAB School of Optometry, May 1999

Tonometry Techniques I

Lecture presented to first year optometry students at the UAB School of Optometry, April 1999

Introduction to Diagnostic Pharmaceuticals

Lecture presented to first year optometry students at the UAB School of Optometry, March 1999

The Patient Interview: Case History Technique and Demographics

Lecture presented to first year optometry students at the UAB School of Optometry, March 1999

Introduction to Ocular Pharmacology in the Clinic

Lecture presented to second year optometry students at the UAB School of Optometry, December 1998

Gonioscopy: A Slide Review

Lecture presented at the East West Eye Conference in Cleveland, OH, October 1998

Pupil Testing: What This Simple Test Can Tell You

Lecture presented to second year optometry students at the UAB School of Optometry, October 1998

Exophthalmometry and Trial Frame Procedures

Lecture presented to second year optometry students at the UAB School of Optometry, October 1998

Neovascular Glaucoma: A Case Report

Clinical poster presented at the East West Eye Conference, Cleveland, OH, October 1997

Anterior Uveitis: What You Need to Know

Lecture presented to third year optometry students at the OSU College of Optometry, November 1997

GENERAL EXPERIENCE

ERDEY EYE GROUP, Columbus, OH

Clinical Assistant, performed complete eye exams and participated in the post-surgical care of anterior segment ophthalmic surgeries in a successful group practice comprised of two ophthalmologists and two optometrists.
January 1997 - April 1997

OPTOMETRY AND VISION SCIENCE, Columbus, OH

Reference Editor, researched the accuracy of the references submitted by authors of scientific articles to the journal of the American Academy of Optometry. Edited the references to comply with the standards set by the journal.
September 1996 - June 1997

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY, Columbus, OH

Tutor, conducted individual and group tutoring sessions for first year optometry students in Organ Systems Physiology, Head/Neck and Ocular Anatomy, Histology and Physiological Optics.
September 1994 - June 1997

OHIO'S CENTER OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY, Columbus, OH

Summer Workshop Discovery Leader, participated as a cooperative team member in the planning, preparation, implementation, and presentation of science workshop programs for children ages four years through sixth grade. Guided participant discovery of workshop topics through interactive learning. Responsible for the care of 15-30 children during ten two-hour workshop sessions per week.
June 1994 - August 1994

AMERICAN CITIES DRIVING SCHOOL, Columbus, OH

Driving Instructor, certified in the state of Ohio. Taught four different two-hour individual driving sessions for highschool students under the age of eighteen. Responsible for the evaluation of each student's driving skills and ability to pass Ohio's driving examination.
June 1994 - December 1995

CUTTERS GRAND CAFE AND BAR, Philadelphia, PA

Server and Trainer, one of the original employees hired for the grand opening of the restaurant. Responsible for the five-day training of all new bistro servers and planned the bi-monthly schedule of the servers. Improved and organized the training material for new servers.
June 1989 - August 1993

ASSOCIATED SERVICES FOR THE BLIND, Philadelphia, PA

Job Coach, counseled and assisted a young man with limited vision due to cerebral palsy in becoming independent at his first job at a local Burger King. Evaluated his progress and negotiated an increase in his hours within his first month of work. Facilitated positive contact with fellow co-workers.
September 1992 - January 1993

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Interests include gardening, violin, oil and watercolor painting, yoga, reading, hiking, and skiing. Financed 70% of college education and 100% of optometric education through employment, loans, and scholarships.

REFERENCES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST