

## 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*

Diplomate, American Board of Optometry

Georgia Optometry and Therapeutic License #1739

Ohio Optometry License # 4844

Ohio Therapeutic License #T1709

National Board of Examiners in Optometry Certificate

Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease Certificate

## ***PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS***

### **FIVE POINTS EYE CARE CENTER, Athens, GA**

**Owner, Optometrist and Clinical Assistant Professor.** 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, referrals from local Lion's Clubs, InfantSee and Vision USA. Conduct vision and ocular health screenings for school children and at community health fairs. Volunteer at 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. Clinical Assistant Professor for externs from the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry and the Ohio State University 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 AND AWARDS***

Diplomate, American Board of Optometry  
Trustee of the Board of the Georgia Optometric Association, 2006-present  
Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Georgia Optometric Association, 2009-present  
Chairman of the Third Party Committee of the Georgia Optometric Association, 2009-2014  
Graduate of the Leadership Class of 2006 for the Georgia Optometric Association  
Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry  
President of the Northeastern District of the Georgia Optometric Association, 1999-2006  
Trustee of the Board of Directors of Nuçi's Space, 2014-present  
Co-Chair of the Human Resources Committee, 2014-present  
Member of the Athens Oconee Junior Woman's Club, a volunteer organization  
Citizen of the Year Award, 2015  
Citizen of the Year Award, 2014  
Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs Family of the Year Award for the State of Georgia, 2007  
Northeast Georgia District Women's Clubs Family of the Year Award, 2007  
Family of the Year Award, 2006  
Citizen of the Year Award, 2004  
Treasurer, January 2006-December 2009  
Seminar Co-Coordinator for the Georgia Society of Professional Optometrists 2004-2012  
Preceptor for University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry and The Ohio State University College of Optometry  
Notable Alumni of the Ohio State University College of Optometry 2014  
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 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 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 III, COPE 18224-GO**

Lecture presented at Georgia Optometric Association and Georgia Society of Professional Optometrists meetings, First presented January 2007

**Hot Cases, Cool Coding II, COPE 15190-GO**

Lecture presented at Georgia Optometric Association and Georgia Society of Professional Optometrists meetings, First presented January 2006

**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

### ***ADDITIONAL INFORMATION***

St. Joseph Catholic School Advisory Council Chair 2011-2017

St. Joseph Catholic School Sponsorship Committee Chair 2012 - 2014

St. Joseph Catholic School Home and School Association Host Family Committee Chair 2010-2012

Regular blood donor since 2004

Interests include exercising, gardening, oil and watercolor painting, yoga, reading, hiking, and skiing.

Financed 70% of college education and 100% of optometric education through employment, loans, and scholarships.