



Planning has begun for ASCO's fourth biennial Future Faculty Program, to be held April 20-22, 2018.

Twenty-one residents and graduate students from the schools and colleges of optometry will be selected to participate in the program, which is co-chaired by Drs. Joan Portello and Jeff Walline. The goal of the program is to provide participants with an opportunity to gain the knowledge and skills necessary to enhance their success in an optometric academic environment as career-long, productive faculty members. This program is geared toward individuals who have an OD degree or are earning a PhD.

The Future Faculty Program is an ASCO initiative aimed at addressing the strategic objective of faculty promotion and development. Program participants will meet with assigned faculty/mentors and attend sessions covering areas in teaching and learning, scholarship and academic culture. The Association thanks Walmart for funding the Future Faculty Program.

Applications for the programs will be accepted between October and February. All applications must be approved by the dean/president of the applicant's institution prior to submission to ASCO. For more information, e-mail [LaShawn Sidbury](#), CMP, Director of Meetings and Special Interest Groups, or call her (301) 231-5944 ext. 3012.