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Happy New Year to All ASCO Board Members, Volunteers and Staff!



The ending of the calendar year provides a good opportunity to reflect upon highlights of what has been

accomplished by ASCO in 2023.

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ASCO NEWS

ASCO Publishes National Board of Examiners in Optometry Pass Rate Data on its Website



In collaboration with the National Board of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO®), the Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO) continues to post the pass rate data for every U.S. optometric institution on its website.

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Coming Soon! Optometric Education Leadership Institute 2024



The Optometric Education Leadership Institute will be held in Dallas, TX, in January 2024.

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ASCO Launches Eye Opener Sessions, a Shadowing/Mentorship Opportunity and Matching Service for Potential Optometry Students and Practicing Doctors of Optometry



The Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO) announces *Eye Opener Sessions*, a complement to ASCO's public awareness campaign, *Optometry Gives Me Life*.

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Call for Applications: ASCO Student Award in Clinical Ethics



Deadline to submit essays is February 16, 2024

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Call for Nominations for ASCO Achievement Award



Deadline to submit nominations is January 11, 2024

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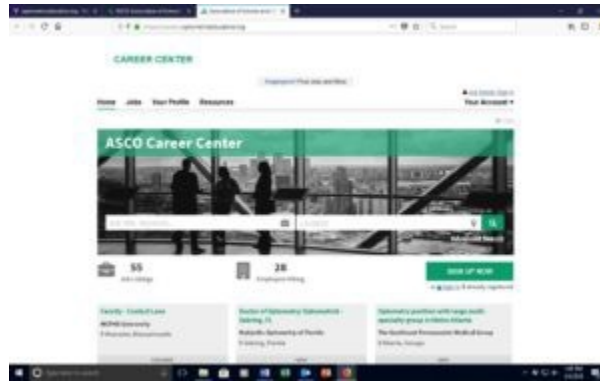
Journal Call for Papers: Theme Edition to Focus on Global Optometric Education



ASCO announces a theme edition of the journal *Optometric Education* (<https://journal.opted.org>) that will be dedicated to global optometric education. ASCO welcomes manuscript submissions that highlight research, curricula, pedagogy, public health initiatives, and other projects that align with the theme edition's mission of sharing ongoing efforts to advance the profession of optometry worldwide.

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ASCO Online Career Center



The Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry offers a [Career Center](#) resource, hosted by Boxwood.

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An advertisement for the M&S Technologies VR Headset. The central image shows a white and black VR headset with the M&S logo. Text on the left describes it as "The Only VR Headset with Time-Tested Software" and mentions its use with a Surface Pro 7 Tablet. Text on the right lists features: "Smart System® | VR Headset", "Developed by the industry leader in vision testing for over 30 years", "Proud sponsor of ASCO SINCE 2006", "Reliable Results Active Eye Tracking", "VISUAL FIELD QuickScreen 40 sec Full Threshold 3 min per eye", and "Patient and Practice Friendly". At the bottom, it provides contact information: "847-763-0500", "mstech-eyes.com", and "The First Choice in Vision Testing Systems". The M&S Technologies logo is also present.

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Bausch + Lomb News



Bausch + Lomb Reports More Than 76 Million Units of Contact Lenses, Lens Care, and Eye Care Materials Collected Through ONE By ONE and Biotrue® Eye Care Recycling Programs

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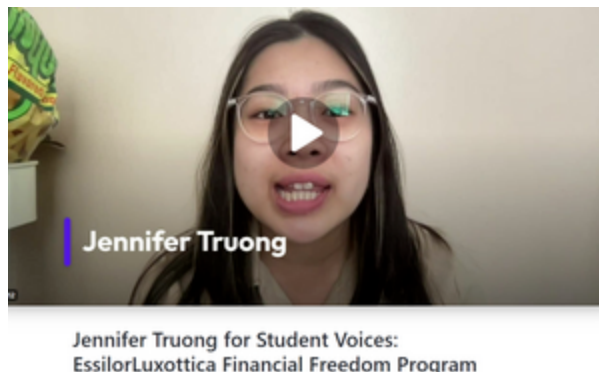
CooperVision News



CooperVision Launches Pioneering Multidisciplinary Program to Address Access Disparities for Children with Myopia

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EssilorLuxottica Eye Care Continues Tuition Sponsorship Program for Optometry Students in Partnership with ASCO and Stride Funding

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VSP Vision News



VSP Vision Launches Student Loan Repayment Program for Students of Optometry, Recent Grads, and Practicing Optometrists Burdened with Student Debt

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MEMBER NEWS

Zadnik Named OSU Interim Executive Vice President and Provost



The Ohio State University Board of Trustees appointed Karla Zadnik, OD, PhD, as interim executive vice president and provost, effective Jan. 1, 2024.

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Springer Lecture Celebrates 25 Years, Autry Honored



The 2023 Springer Lecture marked a significant milestone for the endowed series—25 years. The first endowed lecture funded by the Nathaniel E. Springer Memorial Fund occurred in 1999.

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New England College of Optometry Hosts Inaugural Vision Health Equity Summit



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PCO/Salus Looking Out for Kids Gala Honors Founder Dr. Susan Oleszewski



Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO) at Salus University stars came out for the 16th annual Looking Out for Kids (LOFK) charity fundraiser Nov. 11, not only to support the children's program but to honor one of their own, Susan "Dr. O" Oleszewski, OD '76, Resident '78, MA, FAAO, as the 2023 Lighthouse Award recipient.

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NSUOCO Alumnus of the Year Award Presented at Converge 2023



The NSUOCO Alumnus of the Year award was formed to recognize outstanding alumni contributions to the NSU Oklahoma College of Optometry.

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Megan Patterson '25OD is the 2023 Joseph C. Toland Memorial Scholarship Winner at PCO/Salus



While doing a stint in The Eye Institute's Neuro-ophthalmic Disease Service, Megan Patterson '25OD, was approached by Bisant Labib, OD '14, Resident '15, FAAO, co-chief of Suite 3 at The Eye Institute and associate dean of Optometric Special Programs for the Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO) at Salus University.

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ViSUR 2024 Application Now Open



The application for the Vision Science Undergraduate Research (ViSUR) program is now open and will close on February 1, 2024 at 8:59 p.m. PT.

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