

Southern College of Optometry (SCO) recently presented its Lifetime Achievement Award to Dr. Jarrett Johnson, who was recognized for her significant contributions to the profession of optometry.

A Past President of the New Orleans Optometric Society, Dr. Johnson serves on the Board of Trustees of SCO, her alma mater, and owns Primary Eye Care, a successful practice celebrating 25 years in New Orleans. Dr. Johnson has worked in numerous public service roles, including Coordinator of Mobile Clinics for Vision Service Plan and the Red Cross' Hurricane Katrina Project. She has also held several positions with the Great Expectations Foundation, including Vice President of Community and Organizational Development, in which she oversaw the Infant Mortality Review Project. Dr. Johnson has also been a consultant for various federal healthcare grant programs, and served as Chief of Optometry for the New Orleans Health Corporation and Minority Outreach Coordinator with a New Orleans AIDS Task Force. She has been a member of the board for Lighthouse Louisiana and the Pontchartrain Chapter of the Links Inc. In addition to serving on the board for VSP, Dr. Johnson has published a number of articles and is an advisor to the Louisiana Healthcare Quality Forum's Quality Measurement Committee.



*Dr. Jarrett Johnson (center) is pictured with Chairman of the SCO Board of Trustees Dr. Steven Reed, OD (left) and SCO Interim President Dr. Lewis Reich.*

The Lifetime Achievement Award is the highest honor SCO bestows upon its graduates.