

The number of applicants using ASCO's [Optometry Residency Match \(ORMatch\)](#) application service was 3% higher for 2015 than during the previous match cycle. According to results released March 9, 73% of the applicants were matched with an optometry residency program, and 86% of the available positions were filled. This year, 210 residency sites with 411 available positions participated. Matched applicants submitted an average of 4.5 applications each. ORMatch, which pairs people with programs based on a mutual ranking algorithm, is in its third year of operation since being established by ASCO.

A post-match process enables unmatched applicants and programs with unfilled residency positions to contact one another independent of ORMatch. For more information, contact [Paige Pence](#), ASCO's Director of Student and Residency Affairs.