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## ASCO NEWS

### 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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## Meet Dr. Keshia Elder, Editor of ASCO's Online Journal *Optometric Education*



A Short Conversation with Dr. Elder

Dr. Elder chatted with ASCO's Director of Communications, Kimberly O'Sullivan, to talk about her becoming the Editor of ASCO's Online Journal, *Optometric Education* (OE).

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## Call for Nominations for ASCO Achievement Award



Deadline to submit nominations is January 11, 2024

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**Please Help Us #BringBackEyeDoctorBarbie**



The optometric community took part in a Thunderclap in late July, and there is still time to help #BringBackEyeDoctorBarbie!

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## Time is Running Out to View the Remaining Three ASCO Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Speaker Series Recordings



The remaining three recordings of ASCO's Eye on Diversity Speaker Series, a component of a larger diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging initiative generously sponsored by Johnson & Johnson Vision, are still available; but only through December 31, 2023.

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## Revisit These DEI Resources



With the Fall approaching, it's a great time to revisit ASCO's virtual cultural competency training workshop and toolkit. The workshop and toolkit are part of its *Eye on Diversity Initiative*, which is generously sponsored by Johnson & Johnson Vision.

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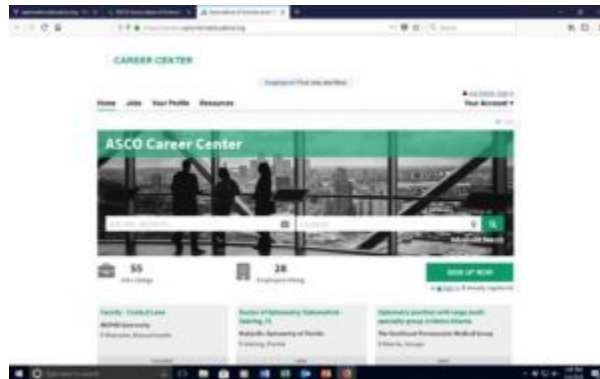
## Journal Call for Papers: Theme Edition to Focus on Global Optometric Education



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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## CORPORATE CONTRIBUTOR NEWS

### ClearVision News

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## Compulink News



The advertisement for MyEyeStore features a dark blue background with the MyEyeStore logo at the top. Below the logo, it says "Now Available". Four circular images show eye care products: O3+Maqui, MacuHealth, Organic, and HYDROSEAL. Below these, it lists "Our Contact Lens Suppliers:" followed by logos for Johnson & Johnson VISION, Alcon, BAUSCH + LOMB, and CooperVision.

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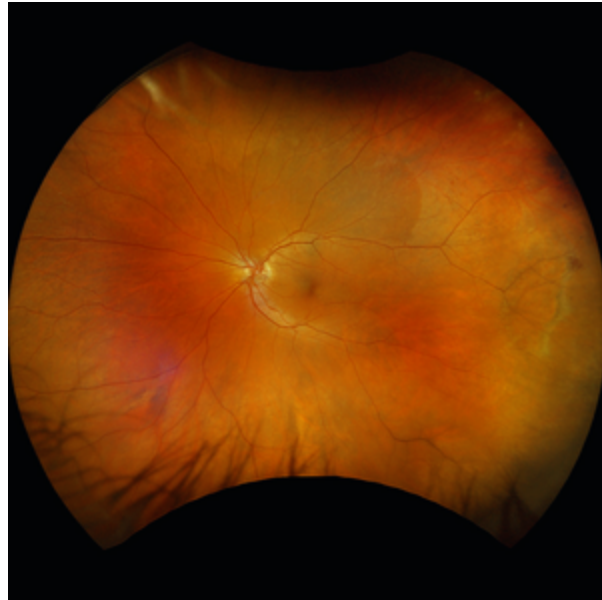
## CooperVision News



CooperVision Opens Applications for its 2024 Best Practices Program

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## Optos News



Optos Expands Imaging Modalities to Include Ultra-widefield optomap Color RGB

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## Topcon News



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## VSP Vision News



VSP Vision and Black Eyecare Perspective Announce 2023 Empowering Equity Scholarship Winners  
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## MEMBER NEWS

### Appointment of Dr. Nancy Coletta, Dean of the MCPHS School of Optometry

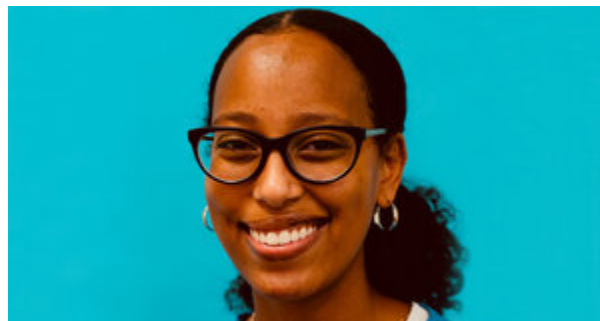


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and HEALTH SCIENCES

Nancy Coletta, OD, PhD, FAAO, FARVO has been appointed permanent Dean of the MCPHS University School of Optometry, effective September 11, 2023. This permanent appointment follows Dr. Coletta's most recent role as interim Dean of the School of Optometry since June 2022, and her prior appointment as Associate Dean of Academic Affairs in 2019.

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## Empowering Equity Scholarship Awardee



This summer, 4th Year Doctor of Optometry student, Mihret Girum, was awarded the inaugural Empowering Equity Scholarship, an award through a partnership between VSP Vision and Black EyeCare Perspective.

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## Arizona College of Optometry Welcomes 2023 Cohort to Midwestern University's Glendale Campus



The Arizona College of Optometry (AZCOPT) welcomed the Class of 2027 to Midwestern University's Glendale Campus on August 21st. The new first-year students participated in a week-long orientation program to introduce them to the various resources on campus available to support them in professional school.

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## Summer Enrichment Program Class of 2023 Ready for the Challenges of Optometry School



Klaesyn Sibless wanted to become an optometrist because one of her cousins was born blind. But thanks to a couple of surgeries and extensive vision therapy, he's now able to see out of one eye. "I wanted to be able to provide that kind of care to people," she said.

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## Wise Named Expert in Myopia



Katherine Weise, OD, MBA, FAAO, UAB School of Optometry professor, has been accepted into the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's Committee as an Expert in Myopia.

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## Optometry Admissions Test Prep Course Coming to PCO at Salus University



The Optometry Admissions Test (OAT) is designed to assess candidates' knowledge base and aptitude in several key content areas relevant to optometry school curriculum. Currently, no optometry program in the country offers a prep course for the OAT. But, the Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO) at Salus University is about to change that.

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## SCO Faculty Member Volunteers with Zoo



SCO Spotlight: Dr. Theresa Cassidy, Memphis Zoo Volunteer



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Dr. Theresa Cassidy, Assistant Professor at Southern College of Optometry, spends her weekends volunteering at the Memphis Zoo.

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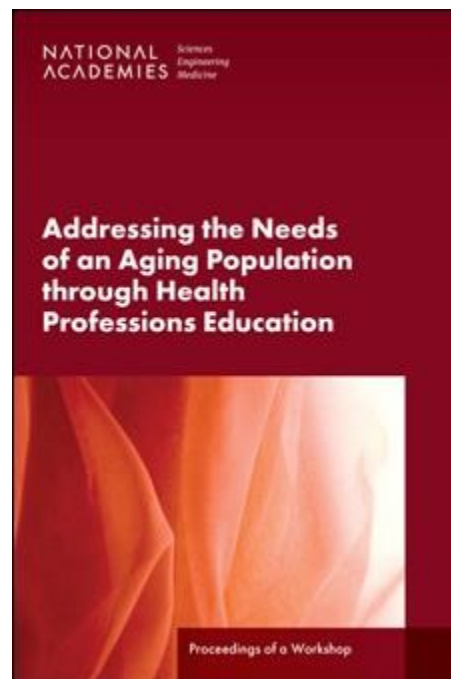
### 2023 IPEC Call for Poster Presentations



IPEC invites you and your interprofessional collaborators to  
IPEC Poster Fair!

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## New Publication Addressing the Needs of an Aging Population through Health Professions Education Available



The Global Forum on Innovation in Health Profession Education at the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine has published a new proceedings on *Addressing the Needs of an Aging Population through Health Professions Education*.

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