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ASCO NEWS

***DEADLINE EXTENDED* Nominations Open: ASCO Volunteer Opportunities**



ASCO President-Elect Keshia Elder invites you to nominate yourself or a willing colleague to serve on an ASCO committee or task force starting this July.

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You're Invited to ASCO's Annual Business Meeting

Annual Business Meeting

Sheraton Phoenix Downtown
340 N. 3rd St.
Phoenix, AZ 85004

📅 June 17, 2026
🕒 8:30am - 11:30am
📍 Phoenix Ballroom D

Join Us!

For more information please email
siaa@opted.org

Annual Meeting Reg Link
<https://event.me.ly/5a1f>

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ASCO 2026 Optometric Education Leadership Institute & Women In Optometry Wrap Up



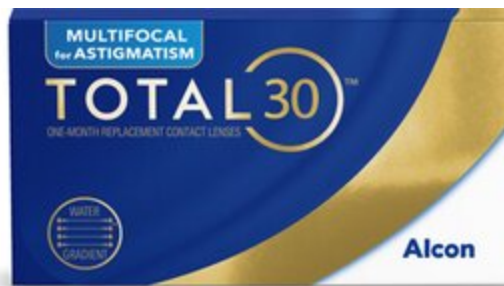
The Optometric Education Leadership Institute (OELI) was held April 8-10, 2026, in Ft. Worth, TX. The goal of the program is to improve the leadership skills of senior-level faculty and administrators who have been identified as having the potential to be a leader in optometric education at one of ASCOs member institutions.

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Alcon Launches TOTAL30 Multifocal for Astigmatism, the World's Only Monthly Multifocal Toric Contact Lens with Water Gradient Technology

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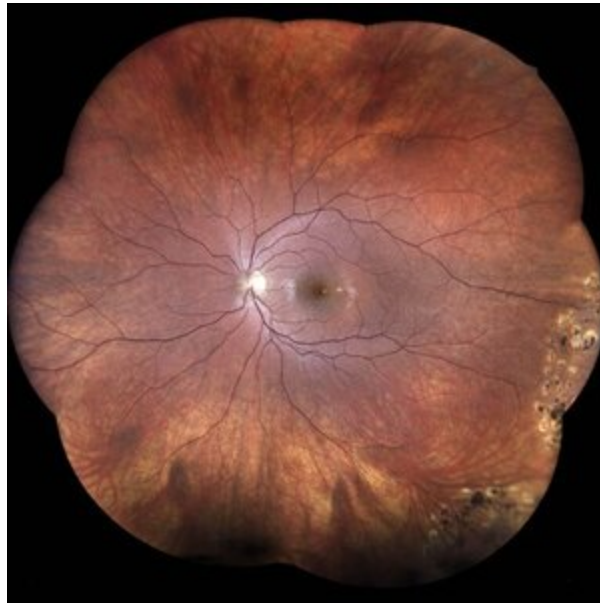
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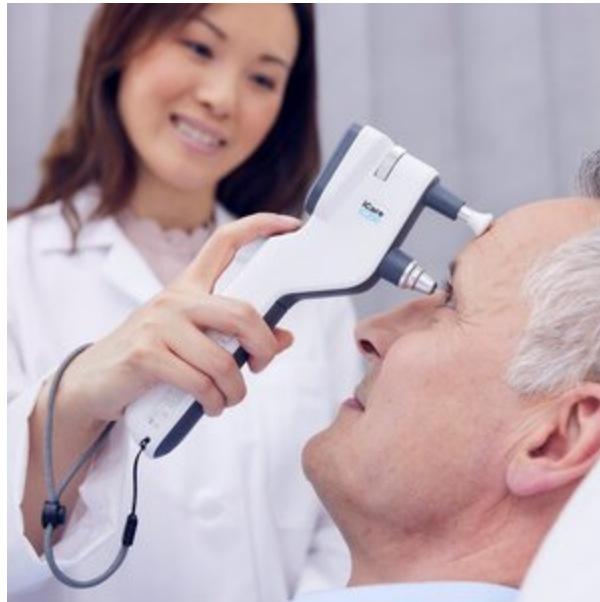
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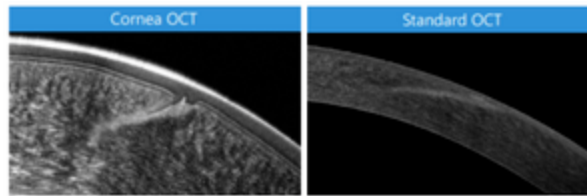
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Topcon Healthcare Announces Leadership Appointments to Strengthen Americas Execution and Advance Global Eyecare Strategy

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MEMBER NEWS

Southern College of Optometry Invests in \$35 Million Campus Expansion



Southern College of Optometry recently announced a multi-year expansion plan for its campus and neighboring patient clinic, The Eye Center. This \$35 million project is an investment in the heart of Midtown Memphis, reinforcing the school's presence, commitment to, and impact on the City and Mid-South community. SCO has launched the "Greater Vision Campaign," a capital campaign to support the design and construction for the facelift of the Memphis skyline landmark.

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The Michigan College of Optometry Celebrates 50 Years



The Michigan College of Optometry (MCO) at Ferris State University is celebrating its 50th anniversary with recognition from the state of Michigan, including signatures from Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and legislators.

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Executive Profile in The CEO Magazine Focuses on Midwestern's Commitment to One Health and Cutting Edge Education



Midwestern University is pleased to share that President and CEO Joshua C. Baker, OD, M.S., was recently profiled by The CEO Magazine regarding the future of healthcare education and the University's growing economic and clinical impact.

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CooperVision and SUNY College of Optometry Recognize World Optometry Day at Nasdaq Closing Bell Ringing



CooperVision President Jerry Warner joined CooperCompanies (Nasdaq:COO) President and CEO Albert G. White III in ringing the Nasdaq closing bell on Monday, March 23 in celebration of World Optometry Day, an annual global observance that recognizes the vital role eye care professionals play in promoting healthy vision and advancing eye care.

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Pennsylvania College of Optometry's Dr. Erin Draper Named President of the Pennsylvania Optometric Association



When she was a student at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO), Erin Draper, OD '09, Resident '10, FAAO, became involved with the Pennsylvania Optometric Association (POA).

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New Pennsylvania College of Optometry Alum Dr. Kendrick Crawford II Honored for Dedication to Patient Education



During his time at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO) at Drexel University Kendrick Crawford II, OD '25, paid close attention to lessons on patient education—a hallmark of PCO's early and sustained clinical experience.

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SUNY College Of Optometry Announces 2026 Honorary Degree Recipients: Dr. John G. Flanagan and James Winans



The State University of New York (SUNY) College of Optometry announces it will confer honorary degrees upon two distinguished leaders whose work has made significant contributions to vision science and public service: Dr. John G. Flanagan and James Winans. The degrees will be awarded during the College's upcoming commencement ceremony.

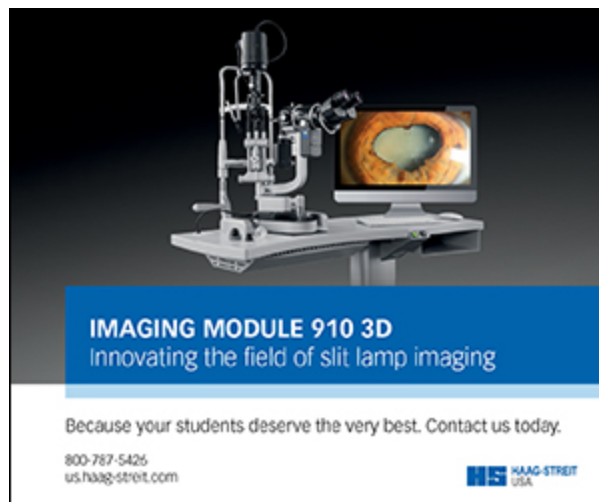
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American Board of Optometry Offers Opportunities for Students and Faculty



The American Board of Optometry (ABO) offers faculty and residency directors the opportunity to earn board certification at significant savings. We recognize the impact educators have on shaping the future of optometry and encourage participation in a lifelong learning program through maintenance of certification. As future optometrists, students are also encouraged to engage in the lifelong learning process through ABO's Student Candidate Program. The Student Candidate program was launched in 2025 after collaboration with students and faculty on ways to involve students in the board certification process from an earlier point in their careers.

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NEWS TO SHARE

Latinos en Optometry Introduces New Student Activity to Explore Careers in Optometry



A simple tool for use in classrooms, groups, or individually to introduce the profession

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Latinos en Optometry Releases Bilingual Tools to Address Communication Gaps in Eye Care



New downloadable forms designed to help patients and eye care professionals share critical health and vision information

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Latinos en Optometry Highlights Eye Health Disparities Affecting Hispanic Women During Women's Eye Health and Safety Month



April blog underscores how gender and cultural factors intersect to influence vision outcomes

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