## **OPTOMETRIC RESIDENCIES**

Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry



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- ⇒ Cornea and Contact Lenses Tahlequah, OK
- ⇒ Family Practice / Ocular Disease Tahlequah, OK
- ⇒ Vision Rehabilitation Broken Arrow, OK
- ⇒ Ocular Disease
  - Clay-Rhynes Eye Clinic Durant, OK
  - > EyeCare Associates of South Tulsa Tulsa, OK
  - Oklahoma Eye Institute Elk City, OK
  - Triad Eye Medical Clinic Tulsa, OK
- ⇒ Refractive and Ocular Surgery / Ocular Disease
  - > BVA/nJoy Vision Edmond, OK
  - Oklahoma Medical Eye Group/nJoy Vision Tulsa, OK
- ⇒ Primary Eye Care / Ocular Disease
  - Amarillo VAMC Amarillo, TX
  - Fayetteville VAMC Fayetteville, AR
  - Mount Vernon VAMC Mount Vernon, MO
  - Muskogee VAMC Muskogee, OK
- ⇒ **Primary Eye Care** 
  - **Womack Army Medical Center**

Although the emphasis of each residency is clinical, each residency curriculum includes didactic and scholarly activities. A description of each program may be found in this brochure. More detailed information including salary, benefits, weekly hours, vacation, holidays and ER call can be found at <a href="https://optometry.nsuok.edu">optometry.nsuok.edu</a> by clicking the above links and at <a href="https://www.opted.org">www.opted.org</a>.

All residents attend the Laser Therapy for the Anterior Segment Certification and the Surgical Procedures for the Optometric Physician courses. Several of the residencies offer extensive experience in ocular disease management, laser surgical procedures, optometric surgical procedures, advanced imaging procedures, and other advanced clinical procedures.

#### RESIDENCY IN FAMILY PRACTICE OPTOMETRY / OCULAR DISEASE

The resident gains clinical experience and expertise in ocular disease and other areas of specialization within primary care optometry. One of the unique aspects of the family practice / ocular disease residency is the flexibility in customizing a clinical program to meet the resident's individual desires and interests. In addition to ocular disease, residents typically pursue one or two secondary areas of interest such as geriatrics, primary care, contact lenses, surgical procedures, vision therapy, pediatrics, or vision rehabilitation.

The majority of this program is spent at the Hastings Indian Medical Center and NSUOCO. Optometric Management Education Residency is a two-year program that combines the family practice/ocular disease residency with a MBA degree. This program is reserved strictly for U.S. Army optometrists.

The Family Practice Residents participate in ER call one week per month and must be within 15 minutes of the hospital during evenings, nights and weekends while on ER call.

#### RESIDENCY IN CORNEA AND CONTACT LENSES

The resident gains clinical experience and expertise in the areas of advanced contact lens fitting and diagnosis/management of corneal conditions. The resident provides contact lens care to a large number of patients from the Hastings Indian Medical Center and has the opportunity to work with nationally known visiting clinicians in "hands -on" specialty contact lens fitting workshops. The resident is also involved in the therapeutic management of a variety of anterior segment conditions and is exposed to operative and post-operative care of refractive surgery cases. The flexibility of the program provides opportunities to participate in ophthalmological observation and gain experience in NSUOCO specialty clinics. The Cornea and Contact Lenses Resident participates in ER call one week per month and must be within 15 minutes of the hospital during evenings, nights and weekends while on ER

#### RESIDENCY IN VISION REHABILITATION

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This Vision Rehabilitation Residency provides experiences and clinical expertise in low vision clinic as well as neuro-optometric rehabilitation including vision therapy and traumatic brain injury. The residents provide patient care primarily at the Lesley L. Walls Vision Center at Northeastern State University Broken Arrow, OK. A unique aspect of the Vision Rehabilitation Residency is that the resident also participates in other clinics of interest such as ocular disease, geriatrics, primary care, contact lenses, surgical procedures, vision therapy, or pediatrics.

#### Family Practice, Cornea and Contact Lenses and Vision Rehabilitation

**Residents** also provide patient care at Rural Eye Program satellite clinics. In addition to providing direct patient care, residents participate in grand rounds, ophthalmological observation, and hospital rotations. A regularly scheduled residency seminar and literature review promotes didactic and scholarly activities. Teaching students, optometrists, and other health care providers is an important aspect of these residencies. Each resident is required to submit a publishable quality research paper, literature review, or case report.

#### RESIDENCY IN OCULAR DISEASE

EyeCare Associates of South Tulsa, Oklahoma Eye Institute, BVA/nJoy Vision Edmond, Oklahoma Medical Eye Group/nJoy Vision Tulsa, Triad Eye Medical Clinic and Clay-Rhynes Eye Clinic.

Each of the Ocular Disease Residencies is co-sponsored by a referral / co-management center and each is designed to provide advanced clinical training in ocular disease diagnosis and management.

Each ocular disease resident provides care, observes and performs optometric surgeries, participates in pre- and post-operative care, and works with both optometrists and ophthalmologists in the diagnosis and management of a variety of ocular conditions.

The EyeCare Associates of South Tulsa Resident and the Triad Resident acquire residency experiences in an outpatient surgical center, ocular disease referral center and hospital-based settings in Tulsa, OK. The Oklahoma Eye Institute Resident acquires residency experiences at the Oklahoma Eye Institute, an integral part of a multi-disciplinary medical center in Elk City, OK. The BVA Edmond Resident acquires residency experiences at BVA Advanced Surgical Eye Care, an outpatient surgical center, and at nJoy Vision in Oklahoma City, OK. The Oklahoma Eye Institute and BVA Edmond residents also travel to satellite clinics to provide patient care. The Oklahoma Medical Eye Group Tulsa Resident spends a majority of his/her time at BVA Advanced Surgical Eye Care and at nJoy Vision in Tulsa, OK. The Clay-Rhynes Resident acquires ocular disease and practice management experiences in an established private practice setting in Durant, OK.

Ocular disease residents also spend time at Hastings Indian Medical Center and NSUOCO providing optometric care, educating optometry students and participating in scholarly and didactic activities. Submission of a publishable quality research paper, literature review, or case report is required.

#### RESIDENCY IN PRIMARY EYE CARE / OCULAR DISEASE

Fayetteville VAMC, Mount Vernon VAMC, Amarillo VAMC and Muskogee VAMC Hospitals

#### **RESIDENCY IN PRIMARY EYE CARE**

Womack Army Medical Center

The Primary Eye Care Residencies, an integral part of a multidisciplinary healthcare team, are sponsored either by a Veterans Affairs Medical Center or by the U.S. Army. Residents primarily provide advanced clinical training in ocular disease diagnosis and management, vision rehabilitation and primary care. All Primary Eye Care Residents also provide optometric care, educate optometry students, optometrists and other health care professionals. Residents also participate in scholarly and didactic activities at NSUOCO and Hastings Indian Health Medical Center. Submission of a publishable quality research paper, literature review, or case report is required.

The VAMC residents are primarily assigned to Fayetteville, AR, Mount Vernon, MO, Amarillo, TX, or Muskogee/Tulsa, OK and provide patient care to a geriatric population and to an increasing younger population.

The U.S. Army Residents are assigned to Womack Army Medical Center at Fort Bragg, NC and provide care to active and retired U.S. Army personnel. U.S. Army personnel interested in either residency must apply through U.S. Army Medical Service Corps Long Term Health Education and Training (LTHET) protocols.

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

Residency applicants must have a Doctor of Optometry degree from an accredited school or college of optometry and must have successfully completed Part I and Part II of the NBEO examination by July 1 of the residency year. Grade-point average, NBEO scores, letters of recommendation, and personal interviews are taken into account when considering applications.

Non-military persons applying to Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry affiliated residencies must apply to ORMatch at <a href="http://www.natmatch.com/ormatch/">http://www.natmatch.com/ormatch/</a> and to Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry. ORMatch and NSUOCO deadlines are January 31. Additional information is available at <a href="mailto:optometry.nsuok.edu">optometry.nsuok.edu</a> or from the Residency Director, <a href="mailto:optometry.nsuok.edu">optometry.nsuok.edu</a>, Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry, 1001 North Grand Avenue, Tahleguah, OK 74464-7017 (918-444-4031).

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