

Education

August 2004 – May 2008 Auburn University, Auburn, AL

Received a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences, Summa Cum Laude, GPA 3.98

August 2008 – May 2012 University of Alabama at Birmingham-School of Optometry, Birmingham, AL

Received a Doctor of Optometry degree, graduated with honors, GPA 3.89

Class President 2008-2012

Held weekly meetings with faculty and class to work on scheduling, and needs for the class.

Clinical Rotations, 4th year

- May – August 2011, Pelham Eye Care, Birmingham AL
Provided primary eye care with an emphasis on disease and contact lenses
- August – November 2011, VisionAmerica of Birmingham, Birmingham, AL
Ophthalmology/Optometry practice with emphasis in ocular disease
- November – March 2012, UAB School of Optometry
Performed comprehensive exams, low vision, contact lens, and pediatric services
- March – May 2012, Prado Vision Center/Center for Sight, Tampa, FL
Ophthalmology/Optometry comprehensive eye care managing high level disease/glaucoma

Awards received

Clinical Excellence Award- Southern Council of Optometry- 2012
VSP Scholarship Recipient- 2012
Les Caplan/CIBA Scholarship Recipient- 2012
Gas Permeable Lens Institute- Excellence in Contact Lens- 2012
Dean Rod Nowakowski Scholarship Recipient- 2012
John and Catherine Amos Scholarship Recipient- 2009, 2010
Dean Search Committee Member- 2011
Top 5 Clinician- Evaluation of the Visual System 2010
Beta Sigma Kappa International Honor Society, 2009 – 2012
Gold Key Leadership Honor Society, 2010 – 2012

Residency in Ocular Disease

July 2012 – August 2013 VisionAmerica, Birmingham, AL

◆ Subspecialty exposure

Cornea

- Infectious corneal ulcer management with culture and fortified medications
- Treatment options for advanced corneal degenerations/dystrophies and dry eye
- Refractive surgery considerations and surgical observation, LASIK/PRK
- Observation of corneal transplantation surgery and management, DSEK/PK

Cataract

- Participation in factors of standard, multifocal, and toric intraocular lenses
- Complex cases, such as floppy iris syndrome, post refractive surgery, mature cataract removal, and weak/traumatic zonules
- Training and certification in laser procedures (YAG capsulotomy)

Glaucoma

- Diagnostic testing and evaluation
- Difficult management of secondary glaucoma damage
- Training, certification in laser procedures (peripheral iridotomy, laser trabeculoplasty)

Vitreo-Retina

- Evaluation and management of diabetic retinopathy, macular degeneration, retinal vein and artery occlusion, choroidal neoplasm, papilledema/ischemic optic neuropathy, retinal tears and detachment, and progressive hereditary diseases

Oculoplastics

- Ptosis evaluation and management
- Blepharoplasty, brow lift, ectropian/entropion repair
- Benign and malignant lesion removal with reconstruction
- Punctal stenosis treatment with intubation/dacryocystorhinostomy

Strabismus

- Pediatric consults and adult strabismus evaluations
- Muscle resection/repositioning, amblyopia therapy

◆ Weekly Residency Conference

- Lectures given by specialists in cornea, retina, pediatrics, and business aspects
- Quarterly grand rounds with direct patient experience and discussion
- Monthly presentations of case reports and journal article reviews

◆ Professional Presentations

- Homonymous Hemianopsia and Optic Atrophy: a rare manifestation of Hydrocephalus an Agenesis of the Corpus Callosum
Poster presentation, American Academy of Optometry, coming Oct 2012, Pheonix AZ
- Coats Disease: a cause of Leukocoria
SECO Conference Poster Presentation, March 2012, Atlanta GA

◆ Office Management Experience

- Involved in technician training, optometry student rotation scheduling and supervision
- Emergency call rounds
- Administrative exposure, employee hiring/termination, accounts receivable/payable
- Details of billing and coding, electronic medical records implementation

Work Experience _____

September 2013- Present - Center for Sight, Sarasota FL

Medical Optometrist, Fruitville and Sarasota offices

Additional Education _____

- ◆ Optometry's Meeting (American Optometric Association), June 2010, Orlando FL
- ◆ Vistakon Student Program, March 2011, Jacksonville FL
- ◆ Fall Conference (Alabama Optometric Association), November 2011, Birmingham AL
- ◆ American Academy of Optometry, Oct. 2012, Pheonix AZ

Volunteer Activities _____

- ◆ Medical Mission Trips, June 2006 Nicaragua, May 2008, Belize & May 2011, Costa Rica
- ◆ Fellowship of Christian Optometrists, 2008-2012, Birmingham AL
- ◆ Foundation Fighting Blindness, VisionWalk 2012, Team Captian, Birmingham AL
- ◆ Cahaba Valley Healthcare Vision Screening, 2012-2013, Birmingham AL

Languages Spanish, examination and basics

Accreditations Licensure in Florida, August 2012- Present