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# Fall Fun Begins

# Meet Our New Students of Optometry Class of 2026

What an exciting beginning for our newest class of students who started their first quarter of optometry classes this fall. Hailing from varied backgrounds and locations, they all share the common goal of training to become the next generation of healthcare providers.

We are thrilled to welcome them to our CCO family and look forward to seeing them grow into successful student optometrists in the coming years.

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# Clinical Rotation Spotlight

Hye Seon Yoo, O.D.

Assistant Professor

Dr. Hye Seon Yoo, O.D. graduate Magna Cum Laude from Saint Louis University with her Bachelor of Art in Biological Sciences. She went on to complete her doctorate at Illinois College of Optometry, Cum Laude, May 2017. Dr. Yoo completed her residency training at the Cincinnati Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Cincinnati, OH. Dr. Yoo specializes in ocular disease, diabetes and primary eye care, with a particular passion for geriatric optometry. Dr. Yoo joined Midwestern University in August of 2018, as an assistant professor and clinical instructor in the primary care and advanced ocular health optometry department. Dr. Yoo enjoys exploring different national parks; she has seen 7 so far and hope to visit them all one day.

Thank you for all you do and being a part of Midwestern University!

# Preceptor Corner: Responsibilities of Our Preceptors

- ⇒ The preceptor will provide instruction to student clinicians and offer suggestions and advice where appropriate.
- ⇒ The preceptor will encourage independent decision making and afford student clinicians the opportunity to formulate diagnosis and patient management plans.
- ⇒ The preceptor will allow open communication between the Chicago College of Optometry and offer comments, suggestions and constructive feedback about the external rotation program when appropriate.
- ⇒ The preceptor will evaluate performance of student clinicians and provide feedback on a frequent basis directly to the student.
- ⇒ The preceptor will formally provide feedback by completing the evaluations through Meditrek® at six weeks (midterm) and the final day of the rotation.
- ⇒ The preceptor will immediately discuss issues that may occur with both the student clinician and the Assistant Director of Rotations.

## WELCOME CCO NEWEST PRECEPTORS

#### David Waterfill O.D. with Milwaukee VA Medical Center.

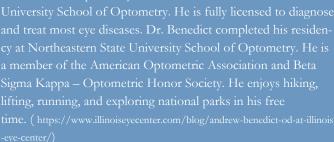
State University and went on to Illinois College of Optometry to Dr. Cyr received his Bachelor's degree from Univercial needs.



#### John Nowell, O.D with Southwest Orlando Eye Care.

Dr. Nowell received his Bachelor's degree





#### Luke Cyr, O.D., FAAO with VA Maine -Portland CBOC. (Resident Optometrist)



tion and welfare of optometric staff, residents, and students. Dr. and Primary Care and is a fellow in the American Academy of Optometry.



## Nicholas Colatrella O.D., FAAO with PineCone Vision Center. (CEO/Medical Director)

through the Cleveland Veterans Affairs Medical Center. He is board certi-Optometry and acknowledged as a leader in his field. (https://

### Kevy Simmons O.D., FAAO with PineCone Vision Center. (Director of Pediatric Services)

Seattle Pacific University and went on to Pacific Uni-Optometry and Master of Education in Visual Func-



advanced training in pediatric ocular disease and genetic syndromes affect-

#### **REMINDER**

It could be a rough respiratory season between flu, COVID-19 and now monkeypox. As long as the public is being reminded about good hygiene this fall, doctors of optometry might want to refresh patients' knowledge on handwashing and wearing contact lenses.

Wash Your

Flu season typically starts in October and peaks between December and February, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) say. Curiously, the CDC reported that the number of flu cases was down markedly during the height of COVID-19. The reason? All the precautions taken due to COVID-19—the mask wearing, the social distancing and the handwashing.

**Hands** 

With all of that, this may be a good time to reiterate to patients the benefits of good hygiene, including handwashing, especially with 45 million contact lens wearers in the U.S..

 $https://www.aoa.org/news/clinical-eye-care/public-health/wash-rinse-repeat-reminding-contact-lens-wearers-about-risky-hygiene?\\ sso=y$ 

## **Upcoming Events**

#### September Healthy Aging Month

- ♦ Midwestern University White Coat Ceremony: Saturday, October 1. 2022 2:30pm Midwestern University/Cardinal Hall.
- ♦ Academy Meeting 2022 San Diego: October 26-29, 2022. San Diego Convention Center.

#### November: American Diabetes Month

- November 18: Last Day of Fall Rotations
- ♦ November 18: Last Day to Submit Final Evaluations
- ♦ November 24, 25: Closed Thanksgiving Break

#### Fall 2022 CE Event: TBD

Watch out for more information in your emails

#### KEEP IN TOUCH

We would love to hear about any updates on you and your site! Presented a poster or lecture at a conference? Providing new services at your site? Earned a fellowship or diplomate status? Let us know. You may be featured in one of our upcoming newsletters.

You may contact the Assistant Director of Rotations, Dr. Daniel Deligio, at ddelig@midwstern.edu or 630-743-4853, or Clinical Education Coordinator, Shannen Hamlin, at shamli@midwestern.edu or 630-743-4812.

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