

AZ-POP June 24-26, 2019

ARIZONA COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY'S PRE-OPTOMETRY PROGRAM...focusing on your future in optometric excellence

DESCRIPTION

Arizona College of Optometry's Pre-Optometry Program (AZ-POP) is a three-day program designed for undergraduate students interested in the health sciences to learn more about pursuing a career in optometry. Through interactive activities, students will gain insight into the optometric profession, including the application process, life as an optometry student, and the diverse career options that optometry has to offer. Program dates for 2019 are June 24-26. The program will begin with lunch on Monday and end with lunch on Wednesday.

ELIGIBILITY

- Interest in optometry as a possible career
- Undergraduate college student or recent college graduate (minimum age of 18 years)
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher

APPLICATION PROCESS

Students must submit a completed application form and all of the following required materials. Applications must be postmarked by May 13, 2019.

- A full set of official college transcripts
- Maximum 500-word statement that introduces yourself and answers the following question: "Why would you like to attend AZ-POP?"
- A list of extracurricular activities and honors, including community service, leadership responsibilities, healthcare volunteer hours, and work experience. You may alternatively submit a copy of your resume or CV.

Applicants will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance no later than May 27, 2019.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE

- Extensive tours of the classrooms, laboratories, and clinic
- Use of state of the art technology including virtual reality eye exam simulators
- Panel discussions with current students and faculty
- Tips and strategies for enhancing your application to optometry school
- Participation in clinical activities in the Eye Institute
- Interactive experiences in optometric labs

For additional questions regarding the AZCOPT Pre-Optometry Program, please contact Dr. Nicole Putnam, nputnam@midwestern.edu. Mail to: Arizona College of Optometry, Midwestern University % Nicole Putnam, Ph.D. 19555 N. 59th Avenue Glendale, AZ 85308.

Midwestern University

Arizona College of Optometry's Pre-Optometry Program (AZ-POP) 2019

June 24-26

Students must attend all three days and be at least 18 years of age on June 24, 2019.

Please **submit a completed application and official transcripts by May 13, 2019.**

If you would like to mail in your application, it must be postmarked by **May 13, 2019.**

All students will receive notification of acceptance status via email by **May 27, 2019.**

Applications will be processed as they are received.

For Questions please contact:

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PLEASE NOTE: We welcome all applicants to the program. Out of state applicants are welcome; please note housing and transportation are not provided. Participants are selected based on academic achievement, community service, and enthusiasm for optometry. Be sure to fill out each question completely.

Please type or use black ink.

Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____

Name of University You Are Presently Attending or Graduated From: _____

Out of state applicants are welcome; please note housing is not provided.

Home Address: (Street) _____

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____ Gender: F M

Phone: _____ E-Mail (PRINT CLEARLY): _____

Current Year in School: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate Year _____

Date of Birth* (Mo/Day/Year) :

1. Please list your extracurricular activities and honors, including community service, leadership responsibilities, healthcare volunteer hours, and work experience. You may alternatively submit a copy of your resume or CV.

Essay Question (Please answer question on a separate page in less than 500 words)

2. Share a statement that introduces yourself and answers the following question: "Why would you like to attend AZ-POP?"

Other: Please Complete For Internal Use

3. What year do you anticipate starting optometry school?

4. How do you describe yourself? (optional):

Mexican/Mexican-American

Other Hispanic

Native American

Asian/Asian-American

Puerto Rican

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

White/Caucasian

Black/African American

Bi-Cultural

Other: _____

5. How did you hear about this program?

Teacher

Friend

Past Attendee

Poster/flyer

Web

Newspaper

Other: _____