

MISSION STATEMENT

The Residency in Pediatric Optometry and Binocular Vision seeks to attract qualified graduates from schools and colleges of optometry and to provide them with advanced clinical training and didactic knowledge in pediatric optometry and binocular vision. Those who complete the program will have expertise in providing primary eye care for infants, children, and special-needs patients as well as patients of all ages with binocular anomalies and/or visually related learning problems. They will have the knowledge and skills to employ the health care team approach to patient care. Finally, they will have the necessary skills to serve as optometric educators and to contribute to the advancement of the profession in the areas of pediatric optometry and binocular vision.

THE EYE CARE INSTITUTE

The Eye Care Institute is a state-of-the-art clinical education facility with four locations providing vision care throughout South Florida. Our multidisciplinary clinical centers provide affordable specialty vision care in the areas of pediatric optometry and binocular vision to the community.



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OPTOMETRIC RESIDENCY PROGRAM

Residency in Pediatrics and Binocular Vision



CURRICULUM

- supervision of patient care by student clinicians
- observation of patient care delivered by specialized physicians
- direct patient care in pediatric clinics
- laboratory teaching
- guest lecturing in courses
- preparation of a paper of publishable quality
- assistance with the preparation of publishable abstracts and posters
- delivery of lectures and grand rounds
- attending grand rounds at NSU and Bascom Palmer Eye Institute
- journal review and discussion
- pediatric optometry and binocular vision tutorials
- independent study

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

- receive overall satisfactory evaluations
- complete a manuscript of publishable quality
- attend all assigned conferences.
- prepare and deliver grand round presentations and lectures
- attend all scheduled clinical assignments
- complete all patient, didactic, and scholarship logs in a timely manner
- attend the minimum number (3) of local society meetings



PREREQUISITES

All candidates will be considered in a fair and impartial manner. The deadline for applications is February 1st. All candidates wishing to be considered must submit or meet the following criteria:

- letter of intent
- current curriculum vitae
- three letters of recommendation
- official transcripts from an ACOE-accredited school or college of optometry demonstrating a preferred minimum GPA of 2.8 or an average of 82 percent
- passing score on NBEO Part I to be interviewed and passing NBEO Part II/ TMOD and NBEO Part III to be placed
- completed NSU residency application form (available online)
- ORMatch application
- submit to a personal interview
- obtained a Doctor of Optometry degree from an ACOE-accredited school or college of optometry
- license-eligible in Florida or have applied for a license in another state and eligible to receive a Faculty Certificate
- valid social security number and visa if international

PROGRAM LENGTH AND WEEKLY SCHEDULE

The Pediatrics and Binocular Vision Residency is a 12.5-month program. The salary is \$38,000 a year plus the additional pro-rated 2 weeks the following July. The resident is expected to work up to 5.5 days per week. The clinics are open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. There is evening clinic on Wednesday in the Pediatric Service until 7:00 p.m. and residents may be assigned to this clinic for portions of the year. Residents will be assigned their own schedule of vision- therapy patients on Saturday, which is a half day from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 1:00 pm.

BENEFITS

- professional liability insurance is covered for patient care provided at NSU clinical sites.
- health and dental insurance will be provided commensurate to faculty coverage.
- leave will consist of 5.5 vacation days, 3 personal days, 5 sick days, and 10 professional development days to attend conferences.
- a travel stipend will be provided to attend professional conferences.
- business cards and clinic jackets will be provided for each resident.
- residents may enroll in the on line NOVA Masters in Clinical Vision Science with tuition waiver after 6 months, though student activity fees must still be paid by the resident.