Q: Where are you located?
A: Fullerton, California, United States

Q: What year did you earn your Fellowship?
A: 2005

Q: Where did you earn your doctorate?
A: OD, Southern California College of Optometry
PhD in Vision Science, University of California, Berkeley

Q: What inspired you to pursue optometry as a career?
A: Both my optometrist and my research advisor during my undergraduate years.

Q: What is your most rewarding patient or professional experience?
A: The most rewarding patient and professional experiences have been in teaching and providing clinical care in the areas of electrodiagnostics and color vision since these are areas students, patients, and practitioners often have difficulty in getting more in-depth information, testing, and diagnosis.

Q: How did you become involved with the Academy?
A: My very first role with the Academy was as a student-liaison during optometry school.

Q: What has your involvement meant to your career?
A: Feeling connected with the Academy since the early days of my education has been great! The Academy has been the cornerstone of a career in academics as it is the go to place for premier optometric education and optometric research.

Q: What is the best part of being an OD?
A: The best part of being an OD is having a variety of practice modalities to pursue and the strong and supportive community we share as optometrists.

Q: Tell us a fun fact about you or an interesting hobby you have?
A: My very first research paper I worked on during optometry school was published in the Academy’s journal (OVS).