Q: Where are you located?
A: Sioux Falls, South Dakota, United States

Q: What year did you earn your Fellowship?
A: 2014

Q: Where did you earn your doctorate?
A: Pacific College of Optometry

Q: What inspired you to pursue optometry as a career?
A: My childhood optometrist.

Q: What is your most rewarding patient or professional experience?
A: Working alongside, learning with, and educating our externs, fellows, residents, and Vance Thompson Vision team.

Q: How did you become involved with the Academy?
A: It was a goal of mine to be involved after graduating optometry school and also recommended by many of my mentors.

Q: What has your involvement meant to your career?
A: It has created opportunities for me to educate alongside some amazing and talented colleagues, as well as made me a better doctor.

Q: What is the best part of being an OD?
A: The satisfaction of helping patients through some tough ocular situations and the team at Vance Thompson Vision that I get to work alongside each day.

Q: Tell us a fun fact about you or an interesting hobby you have?
A: Fun Fact: The town I grew up in has the “World's Largest Buffalo”.

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