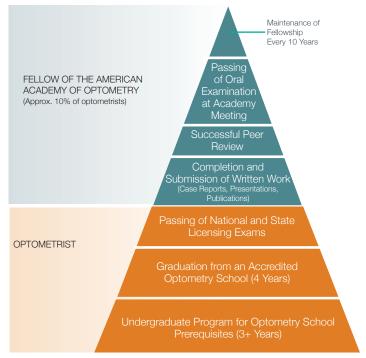
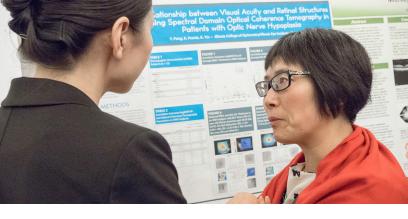
Your optometrist is a **Fellow** of the **American Academy of Optometry.**





Every Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry (FAAO) is recognized by their colleagues as knowledgeable and experienced professionals who have met the highest standards of professional competence in eye care.



Each Fellow has lectured, completed a residency or has submitted written presentations and case reports. They have also been examined by a panel of leading doctors of optometry, who have reviewed this work and the candidate's professional credentials in order to certify that they are truly advancing the profession of optometry.

Most Fellows of the American Academy of Optometry provide primary eye care. Many also have advanced expertise in a particular area of optometry and may focus their practice on a discipline such as contact lenses, ocular disease, low vision, pediatric vision and vision therapy, or public health and environmental optometry. Some devote their time and efforts to research and teaching for the advancement of optometric care.

FAAO optometrists are dedicated to providing leadership in scientific and clinical developments. They remain at the forefront of eye care developments by attending continuing education

programs, symposia, and lectures, particularly those presented at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Optometry, the foremost scientific and educational meeting for optometry. An FAAO optometrist is likely to read numerous professional publications, including the Academy's journal, *Optometry and Vision Science*, which is recognized worldwide as the most prestigious optometric publication.

You can be sure that your optometrist—a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry—strives to stay current with the latest eye and vision research and is committed to excellence.





About the American Academy of Optometry

The American Academy of Optometry was founded in 1922 with the mission to promote the art and science of vision care through lifelong learning. This includes:

- Promoting high ethical and professional standards of practice
- Sponsoring educational programs that provide practitioners with the most up to date information about all aspects of clinical practice
- Initiating and supporting research programs in optometry and related sciences to advance optometric care
- Creating opportunities to share results of research in vision
- Disseminating current knowledge in both clinical and vision science that allows an understanding of new products and technology
- Encouraging reporting of exceptional and instructive conditions encountered in practice
- Disseminating knowledge through *Optometry and Vision Science*, the official journal of the American Academy of Optometry

