Meet the FCCC instructors.

The Fellowship Candidate Crash Course will prepare you to become Fellows of the American Academy of Optometry post-graduation. Meet the leaders who will guide you on this path.

Camille Cohen, OD, FAAO
Dr. Camille F. Cohen earned her Doctor of Optometry, in 2014, from Salus University. She has her Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences from The University of Miami. She has experience in private, hospital, and retail practice settings. Dr. Cohen was the 2018 NOA Service Award recipient, for community service projects, in Brooklyn, NY, as well as Montego Bay, JA. She was named one of the 2020 Most Influential Women in Optical by Vision Monday, with features in Women in Optometry and Eye Care Business Magazine. At the 2021 NOA Convention, she earned the Dr. Melvin Shipp Young Optometrist of the Year Award for her mentorship of students who struggle to pass board exams. Most recently, Dr. Cohen became a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry in 2022. Currently, she co-owns and manages her own practice, a Pearle Vision franchise office, in Park Slope, NY.

Jessica Hanson, OD, FAAO
Born and raised in the suburbs of Minneapolis, Jessica Hanson graduated Magna Cum Laude with a bachelor’s degree in biology from Minnesota State University Mankato – go Mavericks! She then attended Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry where she graduated in the top of the the 2018 class with multiple clinical honors and a Doctorate in Optometry. Dr. Hanson completed a residency focusing on ocular disease and primary care at the Marion, IL VAMC. During residency she had the opportunity to work clinically with student externs and provide low vision exams. Dr. Hanson is currently a staff optometrist at the St. Louis VAMC where she practices low vision and primary care optometry – her professional passions include teaching students and residents along with providing wide-scope low vision care for veterans. She is an UMSL optometry clinical adjunct faculty member, a member of the American Academy of Optometry, and obtained her fellowship in 2021.

Kuniyoshi Kanai, OD, FAAO
Dr. Kuniyoshi Kanai is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry, the class of 2007. He pursued further clinical residency training in Primary Care at UC Berkeley. Dr. Kanai completed AAO Fellowship in 2009. He remained as a clinical faculty currently serving as Associate Clinical Professor. Dr. Kanai’s primary focus is resident education as the Director of Residency Programs. He has also taught optometrists about systemic disease and its effect on the eye through regional and international conferences.

Chelsia Park, OD, FAAO
Dr. Chelsia Park is a graduate of the University of California Berkeley, School of Optometry, and residency trained in Primary Care at the Southern Oregon, VA. She completed her fellowship in 2016 at the AAO Anaheim meeting. Dr. Park has worked in a variety of settings, including Chinle Hospital with the Indian Health Service, and currently serves as a staff optometrist and clinical instructor at VA Palo Alto.

Eric Viloria, OD, FAAO
Eric Viloria is a 2020 graduate of the UC Berkeley School of Optometry and completed a residency in Primary Care / Low Vision Rehabilitation at the VA Palo Alto Health Care System in 2021. He is passionate about teaching and currently precepts interns at UC Berkeley and at the VA. In his free time, Eric enjoys playing tennis and basketball.

Heather Jones, OD, FAAO
Dr. Heather Jones earned her Doctor of Optometry at the University of California, Berkeley School of Optometry. She completed optometric residency training at the San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center where she is now a Staff Optometrist, residency mentor, and the Optometry Student Externship Coordinator. Dr. Jones is also an Assistant Clinical Professor at the UC Berkeley Wertheim School of Optometry and is a peer reviewer for the Optometry & Vision Science Journal.

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