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OPTOMETRIC TRAINING PROGRAMS

A crash course on how to launch your AMC optometric training programs.

- 📍 WEDNESDAY APRIL 26TH
- 🕒 08:30PM EST
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Webinar

Last year, we spoke about “Promotion and Tenure” during our first AMCO SIG webinar. The live session was a huge success and sparked great dialogue between members across the country.

This year, we will review the costs and benefits of “Optometric Training Programs” and discuss the differences between residencies, fellowships, and externships at an AMC. There will be a crash course on how to launch your own educational program from scratch; and if you’ve already established your own program, we invite you to share your experiences and advice on creating a successful training program at a teaching hospital.

You must register to access the meeting link. Contact Dr. Steven Quan at scquan@bsd.uchicago.edu for more information.

Optometric Training Programs

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

8:30 – 9:30 PM EST

Research

Our research on the distribution of optometrists and their faculty status at AMCs is about to be published in *Optometry and Visual Science (OVS)*. The title of our article is: “[Survey of the Faculty Status of Optometrists at Academic Medical Centers in the United State.](#)” Be sure to subscribe to the OVS Journal to get the next issue!

Advisory Council

We are finalizing invitations to form our new Advisory Council, which was chartered during our last business meeting in October 2022. Members of the Advisory Council will support the Board and implement key projects such as membership outreach.

New Journal Opportunity

The Academy is launching a new journal this year called *Clinical Insights in Eyecare*. This peer-reviewed online journal will publish original case reports related to clinical eyecare. Case reports will highlight diagnostic dilemmas, applications of clinical technology, and/or treatment effects/considerations. Articles will be educational and are intended for clinicians and clinical scientists who care for patients. The journal will be published monthly and will accept submissions very soon (get your cases ready now!). The first issue is tentatively set to release this Summer in 2023. If you are interested in serving as a reviewer or submitting a case report, please let us know!

Website

We are working with the Academy to update our [AMCO SIG page](#) to feature more news and resources for our members, such as survey data. Connect with us there if you have any questions or want to introduce new members!