

2024 GRADUATE OPPORTUNITIES



AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF
OPTOMETRY
CLINICAL SERVICES • RESEARCH • EDUCATION

Applications open April 2024

Why the ACO?

The ACO is a not-for-profit organisation committed to leading primary public health eye care, providing the best practice and holistic care to patients. Our focus is clinical care, not sales.

Our patients are from diverse backgrounds, often with complex clinical presentations. Our team of clinical experts are committed to excellence in optometry practice and dedicated to serving the community.

Graduate Program

Graduates accepted into the ACO's two-year program will have the unparalleled opportunity to demonstrate and expand their clinical skillset with challenging and interesting cases, supported by ACO's expert clinicians.

Launch your career in a truly unique public health setting which prioritises excellence and health outcomes above all else.

- ✓ Work across 25-room **Carlton clinic and ACO satellite clinics**
- ✓ Facilitated **mentoring and training** time
- ✓ Gain hands-on experience in ACO's **advanced clinics**, including: paediatrics, contact lenses and ocular disease services
- ✓ Unrivalled **peer feedback and support**
- ✓ Access to Manager of Clinical Governance & Training, Manager of Daily Operations & senior clinicians for **second opinions**
- ✓ Begin with **1-hour appointments** and designated record review time before moving to ACO standard 50-minute consults (10 patients per day)
- ✓ Opportunities to work in ACO's **Outreach Programs**
- ✓ Present a case at **ACO's Graduate Showcase**

Other details:

- *Two-year program*
- *Optional dispensing program*
- *Nine-day fortnights (ADO every second week)*
- *Work 8.30am-5.45pm, Mon-Sat (No Sundays, Public holidays)*
- *Opportunities for continuous learning*
- *Use of state-of-the-art equipment*
- *Not-for-Profit salary packaging (increase your take-home pay)*
- *Opportunities to be involved in clinical research, as they arise*



APPLICATIONS

The ACO operate two Graduate Program intakes per year, starting in January and August/September.

Applications for the January 2025 intake will open April 2024.



Sign up for Graduate Program announcements.

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