

Eligibility

Candidates with 4 years bachelors' degree in optometry are eligible for the 13 month program and those with Diploma in Optometry/Ophthalmic Technology (2+1year) for the 24 month program. Candidates with Diploma will go through a comprehensive program in the first and the second years, in accordance with the modules mentioned above, based on availability of seats.

Selection procedure

Selection will be based on a basic written test followed by an evaluation of clinical skills, which includes refraction skills. Candidates who qualify these tests will face a personal interview on the same day. Subspecialty option will be offered based on the candidate's preference and the availability of seats.

Applications

Please send your curriculum vitae and photocopies of graduation certificates along with your current contact address, telephone number and a valid email id to the address given overleaf.

(You can download the application format by clicking on this link)

Important Dates

Course commencement: August 2014

Last date for submission of applications: June 5, 2014

Date of examination: June 22, 2014

Accommodation and stipend: Accommodation and food will be available at the Bausch & Lomb School of Optometry Campus. Students may exercise their option of staying outside the campus. Fellows will be provided with a stipend of up to ₹ 5000/- per month.

Faculty

Mr Deepak K Bagga, PGDOM, DR Opt

Dr Shrikant Bharadwaj, PhD

Mr Srikanth Dumpati, BS Opt

Dr Vijaya Kumari Gothwal, PhD

Mr Ganesh Jonnaddulla, BS Opt

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LV Prasad Eye Institute

Fellowship in Clinical Optometry



LV Prasad Eye Institute

LV Prasad Eye Institute is a comprehensive eye health facility with its main campus located in Hyderabad, India. A World Health Organization collaborating centre for prevention of blindness, the institute offers comprehensive patient care, sight enhancement and rehabilitation services and high-impact rural eye health programs. It also pursues cutting edge research and offers training for various eye care professionals and administrative personnel.

Education at LVPEI

From its very inception, training has been a key part of LVPEI's activities. Training programs are offered for personnel at all levels of the eye care service delivery chain: post doctoral ophthalmology fellows and practicing ophthalmologists, optometrists, ophthalmic technicians, nurses, nursing assistants, support staff and eye care administrators.

Education at LVPEI has three main objectives:

- To upgrade the skills of practicing eye care professionals
- To provide opportunities to keep abreast of developments in the field of vision science and eye care delivery
- To equip new entrants to the field with the appropriate skills and knowledge

Fellowship in Clinical Optometry

The Fellowship in Clinical Optometry program has been designed essentially to train optometrists to refine and master their clinical and diagnostic skills. The fellowship program has been designed in an all-new dimension to train each fellow in a manner that he/she wants. We have custom designed the fellowship program so as to provide focused training in each subspecialty of optometry. The program offers four different modules: Anterior segment, Posterior segment, Pediatric and Aesthetics.

Module 1

Fellowship in Anterior Segment Optometry

Duration: 13 months

Available seats: 6

This module offers focused training in the anterior segment related diseases and their management. It comprises evaluation of cornea and the anterior segment related cases such as corneal diseases, workup of refractive surgical cases, fitting of contact lenses, management of diagnostic instruments, which includes interpretation of the results, and comprehensive eye examination.

Fellows enrolled in this module will be trained in all the areas mentioned above for 4 months each.

Module 2

Fellowship in Posterior Segment Optometry

Duration: 13 months

Available seats: 6

This module focuses on diseases related to the posterior segment and their optometric management. It comprises glaucoma, retinal disease, management of diagnostic instruments, which includes interpretation of the results, and prescribing of low vision aids.

Fellows enrolled in this module will be trained in all the areas mentioned above for 4 months each.

Module 3

Fellowship in Pediatric Optometry

Duration: 13 months

Available seats: 4

This module gives extensive training in the field of pediatric optometry and comprehensive eye examination. It comprises workup of pediatric cases, testing of pediatric visual acuity, fitting of pediatric contact lenses, orthoptic workup, squint evaluation and workup of neuro-ophthalmology cases.

Fellows enrolled in this module will be trained in all the areas mentioned above for 6 months each.

Module 4

Fellowship in Ocularistry/ Aesthetic Optometry

Duration: 13 months & 18 months

Available seats: 4

This module focuses on training in areas such as ophthalmic plastics, aesthetics and ocularistry (prosthetics). It comprises workup of cases related to oculoplastic, orbit, ocular oncology and ocular & facial aesthetics. Additionally, it offers training in the newly emerging area of Ocularistry.

The 13 month long fellowship comprises 4 months of training in the each of the areas mentioned above and includes basic training in ocularistry. During this period, the fellow will also be involved in a research project pertaining to this module. At the end of 13 months, based on the performance, the ocularistry training will be extended to more 6 months, during which the fellow will be trained to make prosthesis independently.