
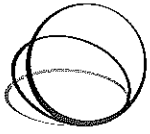


**Memorandum**

**To:** Cassandra Mullinnex  
**From:**  Lawrence Armstrong  
**Date:** July 9, 2013  
**Re:** ¾ Program in Optometry with SUNY – Optometry

Attached is an original copy of the latest renewal of the ¾ Program with SUNY Optometry, completed this spring, for the College files. While the title of the program has changed, there is no significant change in the program itself.

If you have questions about this, please contact me.



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April 22, 2013

Dear Dr. Armstrong,

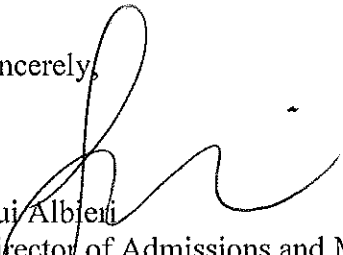
Greetings from SUNY Optometry!

Enclosed you will find the signed copy of the *3/4 Joint Degree Articulation Agreement* between SUNY Oneonta and SUNY Optometry. The agreement is signed by Dr. David Heath, President.

In addition, you will also find a revised version of the document *2-Step Application Process and Schedule*. On option 2 of the new document, students applying by the end of their freshman or beginning of their sophomore years must still submit SAT or ACT scores, but there is no minimum score required. Although standardized tests will still be an integral part of the admission process, we will review students' files on a case by case basis and students' science and overall undergraduate GPAs will have more weight in the admissions decision.

We are excited to have renewed this agreement and look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,



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**THE 3/4 ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

**STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK  
COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY**

**AND**

**SUNY ONEONTA**



**Step 1:**

Apply to ¾ Program as High School Senior or Undergraduate Sophomore Student

Application process

**Option 1. Apply as Senior High School Student**

Submit to SUNY Optometry's Office of Student Affairs:

- Application form
- High School transcripts
- SAT/ACT Scores
- One letter of recommendation
- One-page essay on the topic "Why optometry"

**Requirements**

- Must be accepted into one of the affiliate undergraduate colleges/universities as a freshman
- Must have total SATs of at least 1300 with the Math score of at least 670, or 29 on the ACT.
- Must have a high school grade average of at least 93 out of a 100
- Should be in the upper 10% of their high school class (depending on the reputation of the high school)
- Must have a definite interest in the profession of optometry and have explored it
- Must show evidence of community involvement
- Must have reasonable communication and interpersonal skills
- Must submit to an interview by a SUNY Optometry representative
- Must sign a FERPA Authorization allowing release of education records to SUNY College of Optometry

**Option 2. Apply As Undergraduate Sophomore Student**

Submit to SUNY Optometry's Office of Student Affairs:

- Application form
- College transcripts (grades for freshman year must be reflected on transcript)
- SAT/ACT Scores
- One letter of recommendation
- One-page essay on the topic "Why optometry"

**Requirements**

- Must have an overall GPA of at least 3.3
- Must have an overall GPA of at least 3.3 in all math and science prerequisites taken with no individual grade below a C
- Submit SAT or ACT
- Must have a definite interest in the profession of optometry and have explored it
- Must show evidence of community involvement
- Must have reasonable communication and interpersonal skills
- Must submit to an interview by a SUNY Optometry representative
- Must sign a FERPA Authorization allowing release of education records to SUNY College of Optometry

**Step 2:**

Formally apply to professional O.D. Program

Summer between Sophomore and Junior Years/Early fall of Junior Year

Application process

- Submit the routine application through OptomCAS required of all students between July 1 and October 1. You can access the application on-line through OptomCas, the centralized application system, at [www.optomcas.org](http://www.optomcas.org)
- Take the OAT exam no later than December 30 (we recommend that you take the OAT on the summer between your sophomore and junior years after completing all prerequisite science courses). For details on the exam and testing locations, visit <https://www.ada.org/oat/index.html> (have the scores sent directly to SUNY)
- Submit your college transcripts to OptomCAS for verification (Submission information will be provided through OptomCAS. DO NOT send your transcripts to SUNY at this point)
- A recommendation letter compiled by the Pre-Health Professions Committee at your college/university (Submission information will be provided through OptomCAS)
- Once the application has been sent to us, and provided you have met our minimum requirements, we will notify you when to come to the College for a final interview, sometime in the Fall or Winter

**Requirements**

- Maintain at least a 3.3 overall GPA
- Maintain at least a 3.3 overall GPA in the math and science prerequisites with no individual grade below a C
- OATs: attain Academic Average and Total Science scores of 330 or greater (decision to accept subsection scores below 330 will be made on a case-by-case basis)
- Have submitted the required letters of recommendation (letters must be positive)
- Show evidence of community involvement
- Explore the profession extensively during Summer by visiting several optometric practices so that you are familiar with the profession, its specialties and the scope of optometric practice
- Submit to a final interview at the SUNY College of Optometry during your 3rd undergraduate year
- Meet all the requirements of graduation for the undergraduate college/university attended