

Requirements for Admission to the Combined Optometric Residency/Graduate Degree Program (MS or PhD in Vision Science)

Applicants to this combined Program must have the following prerequisites:

- OD Degree from an accredited school of optometry
- Successful completion of Parts 1,2,3 and TMOD of the National Board
- NY State Licensure (eligible for applicants)
- The deadline for application to the residency through ORMatch is February 1st. (www.natmatch.com/ormatch)

Please note: An applicant must be accepted into the Graduate Program (MS or PhD) prior to applying to the Program through ORMatch.

In addition to the prerequisites above, an applicant to Combined Optometry Residency/Graduate Degree (MS or PhD) Program must have completed the following requirements to be considered for admission to the Graduate Program portion of the program:

- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) (general aptitude tests **institutional code 2897**) is required for the **Residency/PhD Program**. For information about GRE test locations and dates please visit the [Education Testing Service](#) website.
- OAT Scores are required for the **Residency/MS Program**.
- Competence in both written and spoken English. Applicants whose native language is not English must submit Scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the Test of Spoken English.
- Three letters of recommendation mailed directly from the recommender to the Admissions Office or sent directly by email as a pdf file with a valid signature to gradadmissions@sunyopt.edu.
- Official transcripts of all college and postgraduate courses.
- Submission of on-line application to the Graduate Program (http://www.sunyopt.edu/education/academics/graduate_programs/combined_optometry_application)
- All application materials must be received by **December 31.**

Application Fee

There is a \$75 application fee for the MS/PhD in Vision Science application. If you have previously submitted your application, please pay the [application fee](#).

For additional information, contact:

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