

## Optics & Optometry Department



# Opticians, Optometrists :

They are trained to **examine** the eyes, to **detect defects in vision**, signs of injury, **ocular diseases** or abnormality and problems with general health, such as high blood pressure or diabetes. They make a health assessment, offer clinical advice, **prescribe spectacles or contact lenses** and refer patients for further treatment, when necessary.

Optometrists study at university for **four years followed by a fifth practical year in hospitals and medical centers**. During this year, students must participate in a period of assessed clinical training in practice, before being deemed to have the knowledge and skills needed to be registered. Once registered, they have the opportunity to take further qualifications and develop their interests in specialist areas of practice.



# The graduates shall have excellent career prospects in:

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- Private practice, in their own optical shops, in partnership, or as employees in big optical companies.
  - Optical industries.
  - Optical research.



# OPTOMETRY

Optometry is a **health care profession** that involves examining the eyes and applicable visual systems for defects or abnormalities as well as prescribing the correction of refractive error with glasses or contact lenses and the diagnosis of eye diseases.



**OPTICS and OPTOMETRY Department**

Optics and Optometry Department, is one of the Health Care Departments of the Faculty of Public Health at the Lebanese University.

It offers a Bachelor Honors Degree in Optics and Optometry, in a full time **Four academic years (240 credits)**, and provides Optician-Optometrist' job title.

To be followed by a **fifth practical year** in hospitals / medical centers, thus enabling a Professional Bachelor's degree in Optometry

# Career Opportunities

Working with ophthalmologists in clinical medical centers, doing refraction and contact lens fitting.



Assisting refractive laser surgeons , preparing and counseling the refractive surgery patients.



Performing a full eye refractive screening in schools, industries, and companies.



Performing soft, rigid and advanced contact lenses fitting.



Assisting in vision therapy and low vision optical rehabilitation.



Performing and analyzing different ocular investigative techniques.

# Program Description



The program is similar to the European's highest ranked Optometry program for students' satisfaction.

In accordance with the European Diploma teaching program, this course provides students with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills required for a qualified "Optician-Optometrist".

The students have to complete 240 Credits spread over 8 semesters (30 Credits per semester).

Our program of professional education combines in depth academic study and practical work in specific laboratories into the campus, with practical guided and supervised experience in the program's affiliated optical shops, optics industries, hospital eye clinics and eye centers.



Thank You and Waiting for You!