

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education: Degree: O.D., Doctor of Optometry
Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Drexel University
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Graduation: May, 1981

Degree: B.S., Bachelor of Science
in Integrated Biological Sciences
Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Drexel University
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Graduation: January, 1979

Degree: B.S., Bachelor of Science
Biology and Business Administration
Greensboro College
Greensboro, North Carolina
Graduation: May, 1977

**Licensure and
Certification:**

License: Indiana State Board of Optometry
State of Indiana, July, 1981

License: North Carolina State Board of Examiners in Optometry
State of North Carolina, September, 1981

License: Oklahoma Board of Examiners in Optometry
State of Oklahoma, August, 1983

License: South Carolina Board of Examiners in Optometry
State of South Carolina, August, 1987

Certification: Successfully completed the National Board of Examiners in Optometry, April, 1981

Successfully completed the International Association of Boards of Examiners in Optometry Examination on "Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease," April, 1986

Successfully completed the American Board of Optometry Board Certification Examination. March 2016.

Professional**Positions:**

Charlotte Eye Ear Nose & Throat Associates, P.A.
Charlotte, North Carolina
May, 2000 to Present

Educators In Primary Eye Care, LLC
Founding Member
Charlotte, NC 28211
1990 to Present

Nalle Clinic
Charlotte, North Carolina
May, 1986 to April, 2000

Private Practice
Oklahoma City and Tulsa, Oklahoma
September, 1984 to 1986

Military Service- Primary Care Optometrist- Captain
Hawley Army Community Hospital
Indianapolis, Indiana
August, 1981 through August, 1984

**Post Graduate
Professional****Short Courses:**

Armed Forces Institute of Pathology Course in Ophthalmic Pathology for
Ophthalmologists, Washington, D.C. Fall, 1982

**Clinical Research
Activities:**

Participated as an investigator or co-investigator on more than 60
clinical research activities.

**Presentations of
Continuing Education
Courses, Research Papers,
and Special Lectures:**

Lectured at over 1,000 continuing medical education meetings on the
topics of pharmacology, ocular differential diagnoses, and medical
management of eye diseases throughout the United States and
internationally including Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Korea,
India, China, Mexico, South Africa, the United Kingdom, Spain, and
Norway.

Professional Publications:

(Co-Authored with
Randall K. Thomas, O.D.,
M.P.H., F.A.A.O.)

Authored or co-authored more than 100 journal articles, supplements, and
book chapters on eye diseases and eye care.

**Achievements, Honors,
and Privileges:**

2025-2026 Meritorious Service Award presented by the Indiana University School of Optometry recognizing exceptional contributions to the optometric profession.

2024 Golden ICARE Award. Presented at Vision Expo West in Las Vegas for a career of dedication to innovation in Eye Care. September 2024.

America's Best Optometrists 2021, 2022, and 2023 Award. Newsweek recognized the best optometrists in the U.S. Recognized one of the top 150 optometrists.

2022 Dr. Calvin Denney Memorial Lecture Keynote Presenter. Eye Education Foundation and the University of Alabama-Birmingham School of Optometry, OD-MD Professional Excellence Through Cooperation Program. Dothan, Alabama. February 2022.

The Optometry Association of Louisiana 2019 Public Service Award. Presented by the OAL in gratitude for service to Optometry and dedication to serving the public.

Co-recipient of the "Pioneer in Optometry" recognition by the Editorial Board of Primary Care Optometry News in April 2015 for contributions in optometry education.

Award by University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry. Meredith Morgan Memorial Keynote Speaker at the Morgan Symposium April 25-26, 2015.

Co-Recipient of the 2014 *Vincent Ellerbrock Clinician Educator Award* by the American Academy of Optometry for outstanding and sustained contributions to the Academy's Lectures and Workshops program.

Award by Colorado Optometric Glaucoma Society for "outstanding and dedicated professional service in providing exceptional leadership, education and clinical achievement to the profession of optometry in the state of Colorado." May 2, 2010.

Award by University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry. Meredith Morgan Memorial Lecturer at the Morgan/Sarver Symposium April 23-25, 2010.

Appointed as member of the Editorial Advisory Board, Cornea/External Disease Section, Optometry Times. 2009-2023.

Appointed as member of the Editorial Board, E-Journal for Practitioners, Optometric Glaucoma Society in conjunction with Review of Optometry. 2005-2010.

Appointed as a member of the Adjunct Faculty, Indiana University School of Optometry, May 2005 – Present

Appointed as a member of the Optometric Physician Editorial Board. 2002 - 2012.

Awarded the "Glaucoma Educator of the Year" by the American Academy of Optometry, in cooperation with Randall Thomas, O.D., 1997

Appointed as a member of the Medical Advisory Panel, Piedmont Healthcare Alliance, Charlotte, North Carolina, 1997 – 2000

Appointed as a member of the Editorial Board, Primary Care Optometry News, 1995 - 2023

Appointed as a member of the Adjunct Faculty, State University of New York College of Optometry, 1993

Appointed as a member of the Adjunct Faculty, Pacific University College of Optometry, 1993

Appointed as a Consultant of the Council on Optometric Education by the American Optometric Association, 1993

Appointed as a Clinical Examiner for the North Carolina State Board of Examiners in Optometry, 1992

Appointed as a member of the Adjunct Faculty, Pennsylvania College of Optometry, 1988 - Present

Consultant Item Writer for the National Board of Examiners in Optometry, 1986-1987

Awarded the William C. Ezell Award "For the Best Article Based Upon a Lecture Given at the Southern Congress of Optometry", in cooperation with Randall Thomas, O.D. and Carson Cox, O.D., M.Ed., 1985

Fellowship, American Academy of Optometry, 1984 Appointed as a Regional Consultant of the Council on Clinical Optometric Care by the American Optometric Association, 1984 – 1993

Recipient of the American Optometric Association's "Optometric Recognition Award" for excellence in continuing professional education, 1984

Selected as a participant of the Health Professions Scholarship Program of the United States Army during training at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, 1978-1981

Selected to serve as a member of the Student Optometric Service to Haiti (S.O.S. H.) Team, 1981

Student member of the Admissions Committee for applicants to the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, 1977-1979

Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, Greensboro College, 1977

Graduated from Greensboro College with Magna Cum Laude Honors, 1977

Wall Street Journal Award from the Business Department at Greensboro College, 1977

Selected as a Broyhill Free Enterprise Scholar by Broyhill Industries, 1973

Selected as "Mr. Senior" high school student of the year in North Carolina by Greensboro College and awarded an academic scholarship, 1973

**Professional
Associations:**

Diplomate, American Board of Optometry
American Academy of Optometry
American Optometric Association
North Carolina Optometric Society
Piedmont District Optometric Society - North Carolina
Council on Optometric Education - Consultant - American Optometric Association