

## **Batchelor in Optometry (B.Optom): Vision Scientist**

**Christian Medical College, Vellore, India**



Eyes add beauty and the vital function of VISION to the human body. The science of Vision (Optometry) deals with the skill to identify vision related problems and the technology to combat it. Do you know, that whether you liked it or not beyond 40 years of age you are not going to be able to read this text that you are reading now. Yes! You will need reading glasses. You probably have grandparents who have had cataract surgery after which their sight was restored. These are a few glimpses and magical moments into the diverse life that an optometrist (Vision Scientist) is part of.

We aim to produce highly skilled and compassionate optometrists (Vision Scientists) who care about the patients they serve, the communities in which they practice and have a passion for research.

If you have a people friendly sense (this is NOT A LAB BASED profession) with good communication skills, can get along well as a team, have the drive to evolve holistically (curricular and extracurricular) and the dedication to reduce India's current blindness percentage- Consider being an Optometrist (Vision Scientist).

A strong believer in HOLISTIC education, the Optometry (Vision Science) program provides space and time for sports, dance, music, art and religion. This program and profession DOES NOT INVOLVE NIGHT DUTIES.

Opportunities are many on completing the course. You can choose to be a Clinical (patient related) Optometrist, a Vision Research Scientist, a Lecturer in a College of Optometry or a Private entrepreneur owning an optical showroom. Various options for higher study through Masters, PhD and Post-doctoral positions exist nationally and internationally. The career guidance-networking structure provided by the faculty and alumni of the program will always be there to help you discover your dream.

**The course is of 3 years duration followed by one year of compulsory internship**

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