



Western
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College of Optometry

NOVEMBER 2019

11/6/19 Wednesday

Continuing Education – Eyexperience Free Monthly Webinar Series, Topic: “Peek-A-Boo: I’ll See You” (1 CE Credit Hour) Wednesday, November 6, 2019, 6:00pm-7:00pm (PST) **Speaker: Ida Chung, OD, MSHE, FCOVD, FAAO** Course Description: The InfantSEE program has celebrated its 14th year - increasing awareness of eye exams before the age of one year. This course will review the reasons for early eye exams for early identification and intervention in infants and young children. Protocols for the examination and management of important refractive, binocular and ocular health problems in the infant and young child will be covered. Live on campus or online webinar. For additional information and to register please go to: <https://westernueyexperienecnov19.eventbrite.com>

11/11/19 Monday

Veterans Day – University is open normal business hours and on regular curriculum schedule.

11/15/19 Friday – 11/17/19 Sunday

Care Harbor Event – volunteers welcome!! Register at www.careharbor.org

11/19/19 Tuesday

Student Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity (sVOSH) will be holding a Chinese Food fundraiser from **12pm – 1pm at the HEC Esplanade**. All proceeds will support sVOSH optometric clinic trips. [Click here for details.](#)

11/21/19 Thursday

Fellowship of Christian Optometrists (FCO) Thai Food & Pumpkin Pie Fundraiser **12pm – 1pm at the BVCC Esplanade**. All proceeds will go towards their mission trip in Los Angeles.

11/28/19 Thursday & 11/29/19 Friday

Thanksgiving Break

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to the WUCO Basketball Team of OD 2021 for getting the 'W' over MBKU!! The team *It's Not That Hard* brought home the championship allowing the trophy to come back to its rightful throne inside of WUCO administration! A big thanks to all who came out to support. The team could not have done it without all the support – especially their number one fan Dr. Drescher who continues to inspire them every day! [Click here for photos.](#)

Loretta Ng, OD, FAAO (Associate Professor at CO, Chief of Optometric Staff at ECI) and **Vishwanath Venketaraman, PhD** (Professor of Microbiology/Immunology at COMP) are co-principal investigators in the Antibiotic Resistance Monitoring in Ocular Microorganisms (ARMOR) program sponsored by Bausch and Lomb. ARMOR is the only multi-center, nation-wide program to monitor antibiotic resistance among key ocular pathogens. This study started in 2009 and has been widely presented and published in ophthalmology and optometry. It is truly exciting for WUCO and WesternU to be a part of this national surveillance study helping to find a solution to this global public health concern. For more program details, please contact Dr. Ng ngl@westernu.edu.

On World Sight Day, October 10th, **Dr. Efrain Castellanos** presented the lecture entitled, *Visual care-an interdisciplinary approach*, at the Mexican Senate.

Dr. Bennett McAllister, as vice-chair of the Low Vision Section of the American Academy of Optometry, organized and emceed the Low Vision Diplomate Prep Course for advanced practitioners on Tuesday, October 22, a day ahead of the full Academy's Annual meeting in Orlando, Florida. Optometrists from America, Canada, Ireland and Europe attended the course.

Continuing Education Online Courses – for a list of 1 and 2 hours courses please [click here](#).

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