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College of Optometry

# AUGUST 2016

**8/1/16 Monday – 8/5/16 Friday**  
**OD2020 Orientation Week**

**8/5/16 Friday**

**Dr. Linda Pang** has been invited by USC Keck School of Medicine to lecture to their ophthalmology residents about interprofessional management of low vision rehabilitation. The program consists of a workshop with adaptive technology devices for hands-on demonstration of available technologies.

**8/6/16 Saturday**

**Convocation & White Coat Ceremony**

**8/8/16 Monday**

**Fall Semester AY16-17 First Day of Classes**

**8/20/16 Saturday**

**WUCO Vision Screening** – Lions Vision Event in Chino, CA; Dr. Remick is the AM Supervisor, and Dr. Roberta Perlman is PM Supervisor.

Sign up here:

<https://docs.google.com/a/westernu.edu/spreadsheets/d/1aNNpG-mqGZF75u73nSLHP27zrPAKCaXBrpdQUIV6uE/edit?usp=sharing>

**8/31/16 Wednesday**

**Neuro-Optometric Rehabilitation Club (NORA)** invites you to the first event of the year! NORA is hosting **Dr. Eric Ikeda** who is the owner-president of Optometric Vision Care Associates Inc., and specializes in Behavioral Optometry and Neuro-Optometric Rehabilitation. Please follow the link to fill out the RSVP form by Sunday, August 28th at 10:00pm!

<https://goo.gl/forms/SF8hHX9jGB7hKXwO2> **5:00pm in HEC Classroom A**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Dr. Linda Pang's publication** "Hallucinations Experienced by Visually Impaired: Charles Bonnet Syndrome" has been accepted to Optometry & Vision Science, November 2016 issue. It is available online ahead of print.

[Click here for publication.](#)

**Convocation 2016 Highlight** – Dr. Davey and Dr. Yumori received awards for their superb work! Three WesternU professors received awards for their outstanding work during the ceremony. College of Veterinary Medicine Professor Beth Boynton, DVM, received the Harriet K. and Philip Pumerantz Award for Leadership and Service. College of Optometry Professor Pinakin Gunvant Davey, PhD, OD, FAAO, received the Provost's Distinguished Scholar Award. College of Optometry Associate Professor Jasmine Wong Yumori, OD, FAAO, received the WesternU Distinguished Teacher Award. [Click here for photos.](#)

Orientation Week for the Class of 2020 is coming to an end, but we can't let the festivities end without announcing our House Video Challenge winner... **House of Borish!** You did it again! 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row!! [Click here for video.](#)

The **WUCO VOSH Fiji Team** returned from their 10-day mission trip this past Tuesday. The team included Dr. Drescher and 3rd year students Kiira Harrison, Allison Nguyen, Bryan Kimura, Johnson Co and Michael Lim. The team provided comprehensive eye exams for 238 patients, giving out spectacle prescriptions, readers, and sunglasses. They also went to a nearby village and served a few patients that were not able to commute to our clinic at the mission. They referred multiple patients for cataract and pterygium surgeries. The VOSH Club hopes to continue to send a team every year to provide vision care for the many Fijians that are unable to afford or have access to the care we provide. If any students are interested in this trip coming Summer 2017, please contact [yoshclub@westernu.edu](mailto:yoshclub@westernu.edu) for more information. [Click here for a photo.](#)

**Dr. Efrain Castellanos** presented two lectures and one workshop at the II National Congress for Neuro Rehabilitation in Monterrey, Mexico July 28-30 2016. The first lecture was on *Visual Perceptual Skills in Patients with Acquired Brain Injury* and the second lecture was on *Vision and Learning*. The topic of his workshop was *Evaluation of Visual Perceptual Skills in Patients with Acquired Brain Injury*. Dr. Castellanos was the only representative from the profession of optometry as he was the only optometrist invited. His audience was made up of Speech and Language Therapists, Neuropsychologists, Occupational Therapists, Psychologists, Physical Therapists, Neurologist, Psychiatrist, Physical Therapists, Special education teachers.

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

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