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College of Optometry

## 12/2/14 Tuesday

**OD2016 Presentation** – Dr. Ryan Vida from Dougherty Laser Vision and a representative from INTACS will be here to assist in the demonstration and application of INTACS corneal inserts. Dr. Vida will be discussing refractive surgery. **3:00pm – 5:00pm in HEC Classroom E.** In addition, there will be a hands-on wet lab on Wednesday, 12/3/14 from 8:00am – 12:00pm and Thursday, 12/4/14 from 1:00pm – 5:00pm in the Contact Lens lab.

## 12/11/14 Thursday

**Relax, Relate, Rejuvenate** - You're almost there WUCO! You've almost completed your first semester of the school year, and to help give you that "final" boost, we've planned a celebration for you! Join the fun with great food, "Mocktails" & "Mocktinis", and professional chair massages. **11:30am – 1:30pm in HEC Lecture Hall II.** SEE YOU THERE! [Click here for flier.](#)

## 12/18/14 Thursday

**Optometry Faculty Event** - Please join us for a very informative presentation on this rare genetic disease - *Fabry Disease: Ocular Manifestation of a Systemic Disease*, presented by **Pinakin Davey, OD, PhD.** This lecture will provide you with up-to-date specifics regarding ocular manifestations of this disease, its generalized systemic involvement, its inheritance, its prevalence, methods of diagnosis and information on the support groups and laboratories that can perform further testing and analysis. Please contact Maria Espinosa should you have any questions.

## 12/22/14 Monday – 1/2/15 Friday

**Winter Break – University Closed**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Friday, January 9, 2015, **Dr. Linda Pang** will be lecturing at Keck Medical Center about interprofessional management of low vision rehabilitation to USC ophthalmology residents. There will also be a workshop portion of the program with various assistive technology products for hands-on demonstration of available technologies.

At the recent **Academy Meeting in Denver** there were 419 new **Student Fellows of which WUCO had the second highest number (52)**, beating out bigger schools and more established programs. It is an accomplishment to achieve a Student Fellow and requires a significant commitment. Congratulations to all new Student Fellows! [Click here for the complete listing.](#)

On Saturday, November 22, 2014 WesternU hosted the **PreMed2Health Conference** in which 103 pre-health students attended. Most of which were interested in medicine, dentistry, and optometry. Each student was able to rotate through our pre-clinic and learned a few of our basic skills. Thank you to the wonderful and amazing OD students who helped make this event successful.

**Dr. Kimberly Walker** was interviewed for the AOA InfantSEE Program. [Click here for the article.](#)

For a complete listing of news and events, please visit our [College of Optometry News & Outreach webpage.](#)

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