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College of Optometry

12/2/15 Wednesday

American Optometric Student Association (AOSA) invites you to their Fall Event – "Legislation and Me" Join the discussion on how current legislative issues affects students and future doctors. We have invited Dr. Candi Kimura, past president of Los Angeles County Optometric Society (LACOS), to speak on how current issues have affected her private practice and why she is passionate about organized optometry. Also California Optometric Association (COA) will present a Town Hall on current issues. Cool Raffle Prizes will be given out at the end of the meeting! Dinner will be served and priority will be given to AOSA members, there will be \$5 charge for non-members. RSVP Deadline: Sunday, 11/29/15 at 11:00pm. The event will take place in **HEC Lecture Hall II beginning promptly at 5:30pm with doors opening at 5:15pm.** Don't be late! Sign up here: <http://goo.gl/forms/c9oQWizUve>. Please contact AOSAclub@westernu.edu should you have any questions.

12/5/15 Saturday

WUCO vs. SCCO Annual Basketball Tournament – SGA OD2018 is inviting everyone to come to the Cal State Fullerton Recreation Center (800 N. State College Blvd, Fullerton, CA 92831) for our annual basketball tournament against SCCO! The center will be open at 5:15pm for teams to warm up and the tournament will start promptly at 6:00pm! If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask Allison Nguyen at anguyen4@westernu.edu.

12/6/15 Sunday

San Gabriel Valley Optometric Society's (SGVOS) Event - 2nd Annual Winter Symposium The symposium will take place at the Embassy Suites Arcadia, located at 211 E. Huntington Drive, Arcadia, CA, 91006 from **8:00am to 3:00pm.** SGVOS encourages you to attend as will be a BIG CE event with a great line-up of speakers. You will enjoy informational lectures and have the opportunity to meet local doctors. Breakfast and lunch will be served and great raffle prizes. **SGVOS is offering FOUR complimentary seats;** otherwise the student price is \$10. Please email your SGVOS Liaison, Linh Ho, at lho1@westernu.edu to reserve your seat or if you any questions.

12/11/15 Friday

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. **4:00pm – 6:00pm in HEC Classroom E.** SEE YOU THERE! [Click here for flier.](#)

12/21/15 Monday – 1/1/16 Friday
University Closed – Winter Break

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The American Optometric Association has successfully petitioned the US Census to change "Optometrist" to "Doctor of Optometry" reflecting OD's status as Medicare physicians. Read more here:

<http://www.aoa.org/news/advocacy/aoa-to-census-bureau-doctor-the-optimal-word?sso=y>

Dr. Maxwell Cheng is an optometrist from Kaiser that works with the **Alliance of Jamaican and American Humanitarians (AOJAH)** to provide vision care for the underserved people of Jamaica. He would like to recruit 4-5 WesternU optometry students to come abroad with him and the AOJAH team. The dates for the mission trip are from June 11-18, 2016. If you are interested in this mission trip or have any questions please contact Patricia Liang (OD2018) at pliang@westernu.edu. Patricia can give you information about trip cost, essay format, firsthand experience details, and give pointers on how to fundraise.

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

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Got News? Contact Monique Tessier at mtessier@westernu.edu or 909.469.8477.