

655-430 Clinical Optometry Practice

Credit Points:	25.00
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Year Long, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 27 hours of lectures, 34 hours of clinical tutorials and 96 hours of clinical practice and demonstrations. Students are rostered to attend the clinics at the University of Melbourne pre-clinical facility, the University of Melbourne EyeCare practice and other clinical sites in the Melbourne area. Total Time Commitment: Not available
Prerequisites:	Optometry 655-321; 655-341; 655-028 or 655-328; 655-330 or 655-332; 655-351 or 655-359; and microbiology 526-306.
Corequisites:	Optometry 655-441, 655-451 and 655-461.
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study and reasonable steps will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact upon their active and safe participation in a subject are encouraged to discuss this with the relevant subject coordinator and the Disability Liaison Unit.
Coordinator:	Prof Neville McBrien
Subject Overview:	In this subject students will develop their clinical skills with their involvement in direct management of patients. Students will utilise the optometric techniques learned in <i>Functional Disorders of Vision</i> and refine and improve their patient management skills, initially on geriatric patients and in second semester younger patients including contact lens patients. Under supervision, students will develop their collection and analysis of patient history and symptoms and patient communication skills. Application of standard optometric techniques will be undertaken in direct patient management and students will develop their clinical routine. In second semester students will undertake direct patient assessment of contact lens consultations as well as observe paediatric patient assessment. They will also undertake some simulations of low vision patient assessment. In addition, students will receive lectures on low vision assessment and paediatric examination.
Objectives:	.
Assessment:	Ongoing assessment of clinical work throughout the two semesters (35%); a 2-hour practical and oral examination in the first semester examination period (10%); a 1 hour written examination in the first semester examination period (20%), a 2-hour written examination in the second semester examination period (35%). Satisfactory completion of all four components of assessment is necessary to pass the subject.
Prescribed Texts:	None
Recommended Texts:	D B Elliott, <i>Clinical Procedures in Primary Care</i> , 3rd edn, Butterworth Heinemann.
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Notes:	This subject is only available to Bachelor of Optometry students.

Related Course(s):	Bachelor of Optometry
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