

OPH 215
LABORATORY PROFICIENCY

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Prerequisites: Final Semester of the program

Corequisites: OPH 243, OPH 262

This course provides preparation for the NC State Board of Opticians Examination. Emphasis is on speed and accuracy in all items on the competence list. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and accurately demonstrate proficiency in all items on the laboratory competence list. Course Hours Per Week: Lab, 6. Semester Hours Credit, 2.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- a. Apply the rules and regulations for the surfacing and finishing laboratory as stated by OSHA, ANSI, and EPA.
- b. Layout, block, surface and finish a variety of lens materials to a variety of frames.
- c. Neutralize eyewear prescriptions.

OUTLINE OF INSTRUCTION:

- I. Review and observe lab safety and OSHA Regulations
 - A. Clothing safety
 - B. Eye safety
 - C. Safe use and disposal of laboratory chemicals
- II. Single Vision Lenses
 - A. Analyze
 - B. Layout
 - C. Rework to shape
- III. Multifocal/Progressive
 - A. Analyze / Identify
 - B. Layout
- IV. Timed Neutralizations
- V. Lens processing
 - A. Tinting
 - B. Impact treating
 - C. Drilling/grooving

- VI. Frame repairs
 - A. Plastic frame repairs
 - B. Metal frame repairs

- VII. Record keeping/Cost/Inventory

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS:

Brooks. Understanding Lens Surfacing. Butterworth-Heinemann, 1992.

Brooks. Essentials for Ophthalmic Lens Finishing. 2nd ed. Elsevier, 2003.

STATEMENT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:

Students who require academic accommodations due to any physical, psychological, or learning disability are encouraged to request assistance from a disability services counselor within the first two weeks of class. Likewise, students who potentially require emergency medical attention due to any chronic health condition are encouraged to disclose this information to a disability services counselor within the first two weeks of class. Counselors can be contacted by calling 686-3652 or by visiting the Student Development Office in the Phail Wynn Jr. Student Services Center, room 1309.