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CLINICAL ROTATIONS SPOTLIGHT

OSAMA SAID, O.D.

2022 Preceptor of the Year

Dr. Osama Said received his doctorate in 1999 from the Pennsylvania, College of Optometry. After working over 23 years, he joined MyEyeDr in 2014 and is one of the most respected Optometrists there. He works with patients of all ages, skilled in practice management, practice growth and acquisition, complex medical management and contact lens fitting.

He began his first precepting with the Chicago College of Optometry during the 2020 school year and has shown himself to be not only skilled and very knowledgeable, but also a preceptor who goes above and beyond for his students and challenges them because he knows their worth. It is because of his effective teaching styles and exceptional work ethic that he was selected for our 2022 Preceptor of the Year Award. Here were just some of the heartfelt words expressed about him:

“Dr. Said encouraged student growth without the fear of mistakes and advocated for our success. He was respectful and professional with his staff, the students, and above all, his patients. His knowledge of optometry was evident, and he was always eager to share it with us students.”

“Dr. Said challenged me to learn and grow as a clinician by allowing me to make my own decisions and helped me develop treatment/management plans. He also spent time teaching us about things we wanted mentored in, such as running a practice or applying for jobs after graduation. I still talk to him regularly and he's always happy to help regarding any contract or job questions.”

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“I learned the most from Dr. Said. He was understanding and forgiving. He took time to teach me more about billing and fitting contact lenses. I love and appreciate that Dr. Said goes through steps with me whether if it was a GP fitting or medication regimens. He is truly a great mentor and guide.”

“He creates a comfortable learning environment, very knowledge and up to date with the latest research/drugs. Approachable and eager to teach students in a variety of optometric topics. Allows students to grow as independent practitioners. Great personality and good humor.”

Please join us in giving our whole-hearted congratulations to Dr. Osama Said

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2021-2022 CLINICAL HONORS AWARDS

Congratulations to our 2022 Chicago College of Optometry graduating students. You have all worked exceedingly hard, overcame many obstacles and persevered.

To show our appreciation for our hard-working students who showed exceptional dignity and dedication to their clinical training; we surveyed all of our preceptors to nominate their top students who they felt best promoted optometry's professional, educational, and ethical ideals. Here are our awardees for the 2021-2022 school year:

Desirae Schuh
Natalie Roth
Abby Sperr
Ashley Ahlbrand

Please join us in congratulating these four remarkable students on this achievement.

Congratulations!

THANK YOU PRECEPTORS YOU ROCK!

We appreciate all the hard-work and dedication our Preceptors have bestowed upon our students. With your incredible teachings, we are sure the students will become successful in their field(s).

We have prospered through another successful year and the MWU EI community would like to take this time to say "Thank you" .



KEEP IN TOUCH

We would love to hear about any updates on you and your site! Presented a poster or lecture at a conference? Providing new services at your site? Earned a fellowship or diplomate status? Let us know. You may be featured in one of our upcoming newsletters.

You may contact the Assistant Director of Rotations, Dr. Daniel Deligio, at ddelig@midwestern.edu or 630-743-4853, or Clinical Education Coordinator, Shannen Hamlin, at shamli@midwestern.edu or 630-743-4812.

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WELCOME TO THE MWU EI FAMILY

Renata Dabrowski

Renata has accepted a position as an Optical (Ophthalmic) Technician for the Eye Institute. On a personal note, Ms. Dabrowski enjoys the outdoors including adventurous walks with her dog Chase, sports, hot yoga, and spending time with her family and friends.



Shannen Hamlin, MBA

Shannen has accepted a position as a Clinical Education Coordinator for the Eye Institute. Prior to joining Midwestern University, Ms. Hamlin worked as a Compliance Operation & Clinical Placement Coordinator at Oak Point University in Chicago, IL. Mrs. Hamlin earned her Bachelor of Science from East-West University in Chicago, IL and earned her Master of Business Administration from Keller Graduate School of Management at DeVry University in Chicago, IL. On a personal note, Mrs. Hamlin enjoys traveling, singing karaoke, and decorating for the holidays.



Karen Kehbein, OD, FAAO, FCOVD

Dr. Kehbein has accepted a position as an Associate Professor for the Chicago College of Optometry. Prior to joining Midwestern University, Dr. Kehbein worked as an Optometrist at Bunch Family Eyecare in Plano, TX. Dr. Kehbein earned her Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, MI. Dr. Kehbein earned her Doctor of Optometry from the Indiana University School of Optometry in Bloomington, IN. Following graduation, Dr. Kehbein completed a residency in Pediatric Optometry and Vision Therapy at the Southern College of Optometry. Dr. Kehbein previously taught at the Southern College of Optometry and the Michigan College of Optometry in the areas of pediatrics, binocular vision, and vision therapy. On a personal note, Dr. Kehbein enjoys baking, working out, and taking long walks with her dogs.



WHAT DO YOU SEE? FUN PERSONALITY TEST



If you saw a baby:

You prefer your own company more so than others and don't exactly feel like going out too often. You shouldn't feel guilty for who you are, and just enjoy being yourself.

If you saw a couple:

You care a great deal for your friends and would even do absolutely anything for them. At the same time, you do not exactly enjoy hanging out in big groups or going to noisy parties.

If you saw trees:

You are always ready to experience something new and have a bubbly personality. Change is what you love and you just happen to crave it.

<https://girlstyle.com/sg/article/59825/what-do-you-see-first-what-you-choose-will>