



Academy 2018 San Antonio Student Fellowship Requirements

- Watch the Student Fellowship Orientation Video**
- Attend 4 hours of CE**

At least two hours must be in one of the following categories:

 - 1) Public Health, Jurisprudence, or Practice Management
 - 2) Binocular Vision
 - 3) Low Vision
 - 4) Contact Lenses
- Attend 1 hour of Scientific Program paper sessions**

On the Education Grid, these are sessions marked P-01, P-02, etc. Saturday Residents Day paper sessions also count. Super Sessions (P-06 or P-11) count toward either the paper or poster requirement. Hot Topics sessions (SE-04 to SE-06) also count toward the paper requirement.
- Attend 1 hour of Scientific Program poster sessions**

On the Education Grid, these are sessions marked POS-01 or POS-02. Residents Day poster sessions also count. Super Sessions (P-06 or P-11) count toward either the paper or poster requirement.
- Attend the Student and Resident Awards Lunch**

Thursday, Noon to 1 PM, Stars at Night Ballroom B2
- Attend ONE of the following sessions:**
 - Plenary Session: Wednesday, 10 AM to Noon, Cockrell Theatre
 - Monroe J. Hirsch Symposium: Thursday, 8 to 10 AM, Room 217 AB
 - Ezell Fellows Present: Friday, 2 to 4 PM, Cockrell Theatre
- Attend the American Academy of Optometry and American Academy of Ophthalmology Joint Symposium***

Thursday, 1 to 3 PM, Cockrell Theatre
- Attend ONE Section or Special Interest Group (SIG) Symposium***

See the Education Grid for topics, dates/times, and locations (Program IDs with SS-01, SS-02, etc.). Attendance at the American Academy of Optometry and American Academy of Ophthalmology Joint Symposium does not also meet this requirement.

*You may substitute a Merton Flom Leadership course or you may volunteer for a shift assisting with the FDR SIG study for this requirement.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need to go to registration before attending courses as part of Student Fellowship program?

Yes. Please report to registration in the convention center in order to get your badge and your registration packet. You must have these before attending any CE courses for which you want Student Fellowship credit.

I am volunteering to help the Fellows Doing Research (FDR) Special Interest Group (SIG) research project in the Exhibit Hall. How will you know that I participated in order to fulfill the Section/SIG Symposium requirement?

We will obtain a list of student volunteers from the FDR SIG representatives to make sure adequate credit is awarded. You do not need to provide any other documentation.

When will I receive my Student Fellowship certificate, pin and complimentary registration code?

By December 2018, Student Fellow certificates and pins will be mailed to the Faculty-Student Liaison at your school for distribution. Complimentary promotion registration codes will be emailed out in April/May of 2019.

What if I don't finish the requirements this year? Can I finish the requirements in future years?

You have a total of two years to complete the Student Fellowship process. Any requirements met in 2018 do not need to be met again in 2019. All requirements must be finished prior to graduation from optometry school.

Does obtaining Student Fellow status earn points toward becoming a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry (FAAO)?

No. Student Fellowship does not meet any of the requirements associated with obtaining Fellowship in the American Academy of Optometry (FAAO) after graduation.

I can't use my complimentary registration code for Academy 2019 Orlando. Can I defer this for use in future years?

No. Student Fellow complimentary registration codes are only valid for the year after a student obtains Student Fellow status and cannot be deferred. For example, if you complete your Student Fellowship in 2018, you can only use your complimentary registration code for the 2019 meeting. If you obtain Student Fellowship in 2019, you can only use the complimentary code for the 2020 meeting, and so on.

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