

ANNA GRIFFITH

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EDUCATION

F.A.A.O., Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry (October 2013)
Residency, Vision Therapy, Rehabilitation, and Pediatrics, Pacific University College of Optometry
(July 2011 – July 2012)
O.D., Doctor of Optometry, University of California, Berkeley (May 2011)
B.S., Neurobiology Physiology and Behavior, University of California, Davis (June, 2006)

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Optometrist, Family Eye Care, Chico, CA (October 2012 – Present)

Attending Doctor, Pacific University Vision Therapy Clinics (August – September 2012)

Pediatric and Strabismus Referral Center, Portland, OR (July 15, 2011 – July 31, 2012)
Amblyopia and strabismus exams, co-management with surgeon, vision therapy

Portland VA Medical Center – Vancouver Campus, Vancouver, WA (July 15, 2011 – July 31, 2012)
Work with Veterans with Traumatic Brain Injury, stroke, unilateral spatial inattention, diplopia

Pacific University Pediatric and Vision Therapy Clinics (July 15, 2011 – July 31, 2012)
Children with special needs and/or low vision are also scheduled in these clinics

Castle Family Health Centers. Atwater, CA. (March 6 – May 14, 2011)
Full scope optometric care. A multi- disciplinary clinic seeing patients ages 3-75,
predominantly low income and Spanish speaking. High incidence of ocular disease,
especially diabetes.

OMNI Eye Services of Atlanta, GA (October 17 – December 18, 2010)
Ocular Disease Referral Center for the treatment and management of ocular disease
including ancillary testing such as fluorescein angiography, topography, OCT, GDx

VA Puget Sound Health Care System, American Lake, Tacoma, WA (May 23-August 13, 2010)
Outpatient clinic with combined Optometry-Ophthalmology department
Primary care eye service including the treatment of ocular disease and low vision services

UC Berkeley Optometry Clinics, Berkeley and San Francisco, CA (May 2009 – March 2011)
Primary Care, Contact Lens, Low Vision, Visual Performance, Binocular Vision, Infant and
Toddler Clinic

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PEDIATRIC AND TEEN EXPERIENCE

Binocular Vision Clinic, UC Berkeley (August 16 – October 17, 2009, March 7-May 15, 2010, August 15-October 16, 2010)

Performed initial evaluation and follow-up exams. Utilized amblyoscope when appropriate. Evaluated non-comitant and comitant double vision, and prescribed prism. Conducted vision therapy for convergence insufficiency and accommodative dysfunction. Administered perceptual skills testing, wrote reports/letters, and designed appropriate therapy programs.

School Vision Screenings, Tracy, CA (August 15-October 16, 2010)

Tested visual acuity, alignment, ocular motility, color and stereo vision. Performed retinoscopy and small pupil BIO.

Infant-Toddler Clinic, UC Berkeley (October 18 – December 19, 2009)
Well-exam, amblyopia and CVI

Summer Camp Counselor for children 6-12. Chico Area Recreation District. (2003, 2004)

Jr. High Basketball and Volleyball Coach. Chico Area Recreation District. (2006-2007)

SPORTS EXPERIENCE

Sports Vision Education, Residency Mentor Dr. Graham Erickson (July 2011-July 2012)

Sports Vision University Conference, UCB, Dr. Graham Erickson (Fall 2008)

College Basketball, UC Davis, Davis, CA (2002-2004)
Coaches Award (2003)

High School Volleyball, Pleasant Valley High School, Chico, CA (1998-2001)

High School Basketball, Pleasant Valley High School, Chico, CA (1998-2002)

High School Softball, Pleasant Valley High School, Chico, CA (1999-2000)

Knowledge and experience playing Ultimate Frisbee (college club, adult league), Soccer (junior high and college intramural), Football (limited – college intramural), Hockey (limited – college intramural), Tennis, Sand and Grass Volleyball

Coached Junior High Basketball and Volleyball (CARD)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Speaker, New moms class Enloe, Chico, CA (March 26 2015 - Present)

Teaching Assistant, Pacific University College of Optometry (August 2011 – April 2012)
Management of Strabismus and Amblyopia Laboratory, and Vision Therapy Laboratory

Primary Care Clinic Teaching Assistant, UC Berkeley (August 15-October 16, 2010)
Taught third year optometry students in Primary Care Clinic
Saw urgent care and post-LASIK patients

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Teaching Assistant Phillips Academy, Andover, MA. *(June-July 2007)*
Summer Program: Math and Science for minority students (MS²)
Prepared lectures and labs for classes. Tutored in the evenings

Physics Tutor, Learning Skills Center, UC Davis, CA. *(July-August 2005)*
Held tutoring sessions twice per week, reviewed lecture material, answered questions,
developed practice problems.

RESEARCH

Masked Observer for *Validation of a Forced-Choice Vanishing Optotype Preferential Looking Visual Acuity Test*. Pacific University College of Optometry, Forest Grove, OR. Observed and recorded responses of 50 infants and toddlers having their visual acuity tested with the Cardiff Acuity Test and the Pacific Acuity Test

Examiner for Traumatic Brain Injury Multifocal Contact Lens Study
Pacific University College of Optometry, Forest Grove, OR. Study comparing accommodative and binocular function with multi-focal vs. single vision contact lenses in patients with mild traumatic brain injury

Research Assistant/Junior Specialist, M.I.N.D. Institute, Davis, CA *(Nov. 2005 – Aug. 2006)*
Using MRI scans, calculated the volumes of the amygdala in the brains of typically developing children and those with VCFS (veolocardiocardiofacial syndrome). Analyzed data for amygdala growth patterns, and size correlated with, age, experimental group, total brain volume, and IQ. Abstract accepted for the UC Davis 2006 Undergraduate Research Scholarship and Creative Activities Conference.

Research Assistant Neurocognitive Development Lab, Davis, CA *(January – March 2004)*
Investigated the looking behavior of infants to determine their understanding of object permanence

PUBLICATIONS/WRITING EXPERIENCE

Griffith A. Treatment of accommodative and vergence dysfunction in traumatic brain injury (TBI): A case report. *Optom Vis Perf* 2015;3(3):165-73.

Lowery JP, Hayes JR, Sis M, Griffith A, Taylor D. Pacific acuity test: testability, validity, and interobserver reliability. *Optom Vis Sci.* 2014; 91(1):76-85.

Growing Up Chico

“Infant and Toddler Eye Exams” *(November 3, 2013)*
“Good Vision is More Than 20/20: How Vision Therapy Can Help” *(April 24, 2013)*

Chico Enterprise Record

Scientific American Magazine

“Chipping In: Brain Chip for Memory Repair Closes in on Live Tests.” *(Feb. 2007)*

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“Healing Broken Nerves: Combination Therapy as the Best Approach for Damaged Spinal Cords.” (Sept. 2007)

The Voice (A UC Davis Undergraduate Health Journal)
“Getting Closer to Understanding Autism.” Vol 8, Number 1. (2006)

“Alzheimer’s Disease: A Plague Upon the Human Mind.” Vol 7, Number 1. (2005)

Science Writer and Features Writer, *The California Aggie* (April – August 2006)
Multiple features for University of California, Davis daily newspaper

LEADERSHIP

Board Member, Active 20-30 Club of Chico (January 2015- Present)
Attend club and board meetings, voting member

Co-Chair, Children's Shopping Spree (Aug 9, 2014)
45 underprivileged children were taken shopping for the new school year. Eye exams, haircuts, pancake breakfast and books were provided. Games were played.

Historian, Active 20-30 Club of Chico (January 2014 – Present)
Photo documentation of community and service events

COVID student liaison (College of Optometrists in Vision Development) (2008-2011)
Organized student meetings with speakers specializing in vision therapy and brain rehabilitation. Initiated an introduction to binocular vision for first year students including a faculty lecture and tour of the binocular vision clinic.

UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly Delegate (2007-2008)
Attended meetings and represented optometry students in the Graduate Assembly

UC Berkeley School of Optometry Class of 2011 Sunshine Chair (2008-2010)
Brought treats to class, celebrated birthdays and holidays, put notes and candy in student boxes, created coffee raffle, kept class board updated with pictures of class activities, trips, and vision screenings

Relay for Life Team Captain (January-April, 2006)
Organized team and raised money for cancer research.

SUCCESS! Student Leadership conference, UC Davis (February 12, 2005)

UC Davis Student Leadership Development Series (2003-2005)

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Eye Exams for Underprivileged Children *(August 2014)*

Active 20-30 Club of Chico Community Service (Run for CASA, Adopt-A-Family, Children's Shopping Spree, Sierra Faire Fundraiser for Blue Oak, Margarita Mix-Off Fundraiser)

Special Olympics Vision Screening at Newburg High School, Oregon *(July 16, 2011)*

Special Olympics Vision Screening at Fort Lewis. Tacoma, Washington. *(June 5, 2010)*

Suitcase Clinic *(2008-2009)*
Provided several vision screenings at free clinic near UC Berkeley campus

VOSH (Volunteer Optometric Services for Humanity) *(December 2008, Summer 2009)*
Helped with fundraisers, cleaned and sorted eyeglasses

Handi-Riders *(Oct 2006-May 2007)*
Helped those with physical and mental disabilities ride horses

Relay for Life Team Captain *(January-April, 2006)*
Organized team and raised money for cancer research

UC Davis Medical Center Neuroscience Clinic Volunteer *(January-March, 2005)*

Ready Set Read Day, Birch Lane Elementary School, Davis, CA *(April 2003, 2004, 2005)*

Run Against Pain, UC Davis Medical Center *(April 24, 2004)*

Pastels in the Park Artist, fundraiser for Parent Education Network *(September 11, 2004)*

HONORS/AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS

The Berkeley Optometry Class of 2010 Professional Student Support Fund *(2011)*

The Drs. Morton D. and Donald S. Sarver Professional Student Support Fund *(2010)*
For a "high level of academic distinction and commitment to the independent practice of optometry."

Beta Sigma Kappa - Optometric honor society *(2008-2011)*

Phi Beta Kappa *(2003-2006)*

Neurobiology Physiology and Behavior Departmental Award *(June 2006)*
For "outstanding performance...undergraduate accomplishment"

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- Outstanding Senior Award** – Chosen by UC Davis faculty and staff (June 2006)
- Bonheim Scholar** - UC Davis prestigious scholarship (2003-2006)
- Leadership Award**, UC Davis Segundo Area Residence Halls (June 2003)
- Coach's Award**, UC Davis Women's Basketball (April 13, 2003)
- Gatorade Will to Win Athlete scholarship** - National scholarship (June, 2002)

AFFILIATIONS

- AAO** (American Academy of Optometry) (2011-Present)
Fellow (2012-Present)
- COVD** (College of Optometrists in Vision Development)
Candidacy for Fellowship initiated (May 2011)
- AOSA** (American Optometric Student Association) (2007-2011)
- AOA Sports Vision Section Member** (Summer 2008-2011)
- SAAO** (Student Chapter – American Academy of Optometry) (2007-2009)

OPTOMETRY MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

- Retina Update**, Sacramento, CA (September 2013)
- AAO**, Seattle, WA (October 23-26, 2013)
Passed final oral exam portion of Fellowship process and became Fellow of AAO
- AAO**, Phoenix, AZ (October 26-28, 2012)
Presented Scientific Poster: "Treatment of Post-Surgical Residual Esotropia"
- AAO**, Boston, MA (October 12-15, 2011)
Speaker for papers portion of Residents Day: Unilateral Spatial Inattention Diagnosis and Treatment, titled "Stroke"
- NORA (Neuro-Optometric Rehabilitation Association)**, Atlanta, GA (April 2011)
Student Grant Recipient
- AOA Meeting**, Orlando, FL (June 17-20, 2010)
Won UC Berkeley Quiz Bowl to represent UCB in the Varilux Optometry Student Bowl at AOA meeting
- COVD Annual Meeting, Denver, CO** (October 15-17, 2009)
- AOA Meeting, Seattle, WA** (June 25-29, 2008)
Attended many pediatric and binocular vision lectures
- Optometric Extension Program (OEP)**, Redding, CA (May 2007)
"The Dream of Vision Therapy"

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Sports Vision University Conference, UCB, Dr. Graham Erickson *(Fall 2008)*

ACCCOS Meeting (Alameda Contra Costa Counties Optometric Society)
Dr. Orel-Bixler keynote speaker *(September 16, 2008)*

Dr. Moy keynote speaker *(September 15, 2009)*

UCBSO Grand Rounds CE event

Cataracts *(May 2008)*

Glaucoma *(May 2009)*

Infection and Inflammation *(May 18, 2010)*

California Optometric Association “Defining the Profession” *(September, 2007)*

Western Regional Conference *(October 2007)*

EXTRACURRICULAR INTERESTS

Playing just about any sport

Outdoor activities, hiking, sailing, snowboarding

Oil painting, especially landscapes

Playing the piano, especially music from Broadway shows

Traveling