

# NOA Future Contact Lens Leader Scholarship

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## Program Description

The National Optometric Association (NOA), with support from CooperVision, Inc., one of the world's leading manufacturers of soft contact lenses, is pleased to offer a national scholarship program to support the education of future contact lens leaders. Up to three (3) winners who are current members of the National Optometric Student Association will be awarded \$5,000. The scholarships will be awarded to eligible applicants who, as determined by a committee of NOA and CooperVision judges, best demonstrate contact lens leadership based on their submission and faculty recommendations.

## How the Program Works

CooperVision has established \$5,000 scholarships that will be awarded to National Optometric Student Association (NOSA) members who demonstrate a high interest in contact lenses. These competitive scholarships are available to up to three qualified optometry students who will be entering their third or fourth year of optometry school and current fourth year students who will enter a contact lens residency in July 2024. The recipients of the scholarships will be announced at the NOA's Annual Convention.

## Scholarship Award

Eligibility for the scholarships is based on meeting the following criteria:

1. Must be a member in good standing of the National Optometric Student Association.
2. Must be a student in good academic standing at his/her respective optometric program.
3. These competitive scholarships are available to up to three qualified optometry students who will be entering their third or fourth year of optometry school and current fourth year students who will enter a contact lens residency in July 2024.
4. Must complete the application, submit a brief essay or video and provide a faculty recommendation.



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First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Email \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

As of July 2024:  I will enter my third year  I will enter my fourth year  
 I will enter a Contact Lens Residency program

Check all that apply:  NOSA Member  AOSA CLCS Member

Current cumulative optometry school GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

If permitted by your school, have you requested that one of your externship rotations be with a practice that specializes in contact lenses?  Yes  No

Have you participated in any contact lens related clinical studies at the school or during an externship?  Yes  No

- Attach a short essay or video (minimum 350 words or up to a 5 minute video) describing an experience that heightened your interest in contact lenses
- Attach a letter of recommendation from a contact lens faculty member at your school or college of optometry

Have you participated in any contact lens related activities beyond the normal curriculum?  Yes  No

If yes, in what way(s)?

Although highly encouraged, attendance at the NOA Annual Meeting is not required in order to be eligible for these scholarships. Send your completed application and attachments (by email) by **May 31, 2024** to:

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and  
[professionalaffairs@coopervision.com](mailto:professionalaffairs@coopervision.com)

