

## Program description

The **Student Myopia Leadership Society** provides a special opportunity for an optometry student at each school and college of optometry in the United States who may be interested in being a future leader in myopia management. The student will learn more about the stakeholders in myopia management, improve their grasp on myopia management science and gain insights into what successful myopia management practice looks like. An integral part will be completing Brilliant Futures™ certification in the entire CooperVision myopia management product portfolio. The student will work with CooperVision's academic sales representative, myopia management specialist (MMS), and/or a member of the academic affairs team to identify and facilitate opportunities for CooperVision to sponsor and participate in school activities.

## Benefits of the program

1. Two \$750 travel grants to enhance myopia education
  - a. American Academy of Optometry (AAO) Annual Meeting
  - b. Your choice of one of the following:
    - i. Global Specialty Lens Symposium (GSLs)
    - ii. Vision by Design (VBD)
    - iii. Global Myopia Symposium (GMS)
2. \$500 stipend
3. Opportunity to connect with leaders in optometry as well as CooperVision leadership
4. Communicate the needs of current students and future optometrists to CooperVision
5. In-person and virtual networking with other students in the CooperVision myopia and contact lens leadership society.
6. Showcase participation in program through optometric trade journal publication
7. Opportunity to contribute to ECP Viewpoints articles

## How the program works

CooperVision invites each school and college of optometry in the United States to select a student to serve a one-year term.

In addition to the benefits outlined above, they may be called upon to maintain the diagnostic fit sets of MiSight® 1 day, Paragon CRT®, and iSee® as instructed by their Contact Lens Director. Additional duties will include sharing initiatives, product updates, scholarship opportunities and events with their classmates and other class years.

## Who is eligible?

Any optometry student from the third year class can be selected by their faculty.

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## Program dates

The student will serve a one-year term that begins shortly after the start of the academic school year. All Student Myopia Leadership Society selections must be received by the end of September of every year.

## Enrollment process

The Contact Lens Director submits their selection for Student Myopia Leadership Society to [professionalaffairs@coopervision.com](mailto:professionalaffairs@coopervision.com). A representative from Professional & Academic Affairs will send a contract to the student to confirm and finalize the selection.

## CooperVision contact information

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