



Opticianry

Program Details

Associate of Science in Opticianry **Duration:** 2 years

Specialization: Eye health, precision optics, and high fashion

Accelerated 12-month program available for those with college degree.

Overview

Opticians are professionals who fit and dispense eyeglasses and contact lenses. In our opticianry program—the only one in Massachusetts—you'll gain all the skills and qualifications needed to earn state licensure and excel in the field. Curriculum includes spectacle design, manufacturing, fitting and dispensing, contact lens design and fitting, and special application optics. Students meet fashion designers and focus on the role of color, shape, and materials to match the right frame to the right person.

Our hands-on labs and small classroom settings allow you to build marketable skills and lifelong connections with faculty and fellow students. Students in good standing can also have paid part-time co-op jobs while in school in medical offices and optical stores. These co-op jobs pay well, offer big raises upon completion of coursework and licenses, and in some cases offer tuition reimbursement up to \$10,000. These co-op jobs make the opticianry program even more affordable.

What You Will Learn:

- Design and dispense glasses and contact lenses
- Integrate fashion with precision optics
- Evaluate and troubleshoot optical patients' concerns
- Prepare for local, state, and national licensing exams

Career Paths

- Dispensing Optician (annual salary: \$50,670)
- Optical Shop Manager (annual salary: \$87,300)

Job Outlook

95% of our opticianry graduates land a job in their field, and over 90% pass their licensing exams on the first try, compared to the national average of ~50%. An aging population will lead to greater demand for opticians throughout the US. Optician salaries in Massachusetts are 24% higher than the national average. (US Bureau of Labor Statistics)

"The support these students offer our licensed opticians on a day-to-day basis has been incredible, a 'Win, Win'. The licensed optician gets the support they need and students get to learn the job while receiving supervision and support from a licensed optician."

- Anna-Guifeng Jiang, District Leader, Warby Parker





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Programs at a glance

Certificates

- Automotive Technology*
- Industrial Electronics Technology*
- **HVAC&R** Technology*
- Network & Systems Support*
- Practical Electricity*
- Software Development*

Associate Degrees

- **Automotive Technology**
 - > Electric Vehicle Technology concentration
- Biotechnology
- Computer Information Technology (3 concentrations)
 - Cybersecurity
 - Network & Systems Support
 - > Software Development
- **Construction Management**
- **Engineering Technology** (4 concentrations)
 - Manufacturing and **Automation Technology**
 - **Building Energy Management**
 - Mechatronics Technology*
 - Renewable Energy Technology
- Opticianry

Bachelor's Degrees

- **Business Management**
- **Electrical Engineering**

*College credits earned in this program can be applied (or "stacked") toward a related higher degree at Franklin Cummings Tech.



Here at Franklin Cummings Tech, we prepare our students to meet the everevolving needs of the future. Our programs offer students the opportunity to learn beyond textbooks, make the world better for the next generation, and experience lifelong career success.

Top Reasons to Choose Franklin Cummings Tech

Career-Focused

Our programs prepare you for the future. We help you find careers in high-demand fields, in roles where you will be paid well and can support your family. In fact, most of our programs boast 80-90% job placement rates. Our partnerships with industry leaders and job fairs lead to realworld experience and careers for our graduates.

2 Affordable

Our tuition cost is less than half of the average tuition at four-year non-profit colleges or for-profit technical schools in Massachusetts. Here, you can enjoy school and the economic opportunities that come with a degree at a price you can afford. That is why 97% of our students receive financial aid. Your future matters, especially to us.

3 Flexible

We offer day and evening classes to meet your schedule. Some programs take less than a year to prepare you for immediate entry into the workforce. When you're ready to continue your education, you can apply (or "stack") your 1-year certificate credits toward an associate or bachelor's degree. This flexibility helps you find a great job, quickly.

4 Supportive

We offer small classes—with no big lecture halls—allowing you to receive the individualized attention you need to thrive. Success coaches provide you personalized support every step of the way, which is why most Franklin Cummings students finish on time.

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