APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

What to send to the optometry office of student administration:

1. **All students seeking the certificate or Associate of Science degree**

   You need to complete an Optician/Technician Program Application Form. Optician/Technician applications are processed as received. Please submit your application as soon as possible to the School of Optometry at the address on the application.

2. **If you are a current Indiana University Bloomington student**

   Complete the Optician/Technician Program application. You do not have to supply transcripts and there is no application fee.

3. **If you are not a current Indiana University Bloomington student and you are seeking the A.S. degree or any other degree**

   You must apply to IU Bloomington as a freshman or as a transfer student.

   For complete application instructions please visit: www.admit.indiana.edu/apply/freshmen/apply.shtml

   Otherwise, you may request application materials from the IU Office of Admissions by writing, emailing or calling:

   Indiana University Office of Admissions
   300 N. Jordan
   Bloomington, IN 47405
   (812) 855-0661
   Email: iuadmit@indiana.edu
   www.admit.indiana.edu

   **There is a $55 application fee and** if you apply online, you must pay the fee by credit card; however, if you submit the paper application, you may include a check or money order.

   You will need to send the following:
   - One official copy of your high school record
   - One official copy of each college transcript, if you attended other schools

   (You need to send this material only if you ARE NOT already attending Indiana University.)

   Priority Dates for application for admission to IU Bloomington for U.S. Citizens and Permanent Residents:
   
   - August (Fall)            February 1st
   - January (Spring)         November 1st
4. **For certificate program only – Non-degree student status**

To be eligible to apply as a non-degree student for the Certificate in Optometric Technology/Opticianary, applicants must meet the minimum requirements outlined below:

1. Must have earned at least a high school diploma or equivalent.
2. A 2.3 minimum cumulative grade point average in all academics. (Official transcripts of high school records and/or college course are required.)
3. Minimum of six semesters of high school math or an approved equivalent college prep course must be completed before beginning the program.
4. Two letters of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, instructor, or employer must accompany the application.

After the minimum requirements are met, applications will be reviewed as received and admission decisions will be made on an individual basis considering all application materials and a personal interview.

5. **What to send to the IU Office of Student Financial Assistance**

If you need financial assistance, you must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1st, to be eligible for grants and loans for the upcoming fall term. The FAFSA can be filed online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Financial assistance is available in the form of loans, scholarships, and work-study. For more information on applying for aid and the types and amounts of aid available, please contact:

Indiana University  
Office of Student Financial Assistance  
408 N. Union St.  
Bloomington, IN 47405  
RSVP Phone Services: 800-544-7787  
RSVP Fax Services: (812) 856-7787  
Voice Phone (812) 855-0321 (9:00 am – 4:00 pm EST)  
Email: blfinaid@indiana.edu  
Website: [www.indiana.edu/~sfa](http://www.indiana.edu/~sfa)

**Residency status:** Prospective students from out-of-state be aware that the criteria for establishing Indiana residency to qualify for resident fee rates are very strict.

More information can be found at [www.indiana.edu/~registra/resiinfo.shtml](http://www.indiana.edu/~registra/resiinfo.shtml) and [http://bursar.indiana.edu](http://bursar.indiana.edu)  
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**Application to the Optician/Technician Program**

For the Certificate Track (29 cr. hrs.) and
Associate of Science Degree Track (60 cr. hrs.)

Indiana University School of Optometry

- Certificate (non-degree)
- Current High School Student
- Transfer Applicant from another Institution
- Current Indiana University Student Applicant
- International Applicant

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

Name: __________________________    Male: ☐ Female: ☐

(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

If any of your records or transcripts is under any other name, please specify: __________________________________________________________

Present Address: __________________________________________________________

(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)    Cell Phone: (____)________

Telephone: (____)________

Permanent Address: __________________________________________________________

(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)    Telephone: (____)________

Which address would you prefer us to use for correspondence? ☐ Present ☐ Permanent

Date of Birth: ___________ ___________ Indiana University ID#: ____________________

Found through Onestart if you have already been admitted to IU

Email Address: ____________________________    Last 4 digits of SS#: ____________________

Mother’s Name: ____________________________    Father’s Name: ____________________________

Parent Address: ____________________________    Telephone: (____)________

(If different from permanent) (Area Code) (Number)

Ethnicity: (Optional) Are you Hispanic or Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No

What is your race? (Select one or more)
- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Caucasian
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- other ____________________________

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION:**

List below every high school and university attended. Failure to provide correct and complete information will result in automatic disqualification of your application.

Certificate (non-degree) students will need to submit to IU School of Optometry an official copy of your high school record and an official copy of each college transcript, if you attended any other institution.

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Any student who participates in our clinical program will be subject to a background check as condition of participation and refusal to consent may result in an inability to complete the program.
STATEMENT QUESTIONS:

How did you find out about the Optician/Technician Program? (mark all that apply)

☐ Searching the Internet – IU Website
☐ IU Advisor: (name)__________________________________________
☐ Ivy Tech advisor: (name)____________________________________
☐ At an Ivy Tech career or college fair event
☐ HS Counselor: (name/school)_________________________________
☐ Friend in the Optician/Technician program: (name)_______________
☐ Friend in the Doctor of Optometry program: (name)_______________
☐ Eye doctor recommended the program: (name)___________________
☐ A graduate of the Optician / Technician program: (name)_________
☐ Received a flyer in the mail or via email
☐ Advertisement in an IU bus
☐ Other: (please describe)_______________________________________

Why do you want to be an Optician or Optometric Technician?

Please mark your primary interest at this time:
☐ Certificate track
☐ Associate Degree track

For the certificate application only:

Disclosure:
Have you ever been convicted in any state or country of a criminal offense, other than a minor traffic offense where you have been found guilty by a judge or jury or entered a plea of nolo contendere (no contest) or plea bargain; any juvenile offenses; any offenses where the records have been expunged; or any conviction that the applicant is currently appealing, regardless of adjudication?

☐ Yes
☐ No

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ________________

Return to: Office of Student Administration
           Indiana University School of Optometry
           800 East Atwater Avenue
           Bloomington, IN 47405-3680
           Phone: (812) 855-1917
           Fax: (812) 855-4389

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Or visit our IU School of Optometry homepage:
www.opt.indiana.edu

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Student consumer information: http://apps.usss.iu.edu/UIRR/studentDisclosures/?IUBLA-OPTOPCRT