



Position: Optometry Faculty - Pediatrics
Department: Kentucky College of Optometry

The University of Pikeville (UPIKE) is searching for dedicated faculty to join the Kentucky College of Optometry (KYCO). Located in the heart of Appalachia, the University of Pikeville is committed to offering a broad liberal arts and health professions education. Partnering with the University of Pikeville-Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine (KYCOM) allows KYCO to provide our students a solid foundation in medical science.

Through education, training, and mentoring faculty members will provide students with the knowledge and confidence they need to succeed at the highest level of professional optometric services. These unique career opportunities afford an individual the opportunity to work and teach in a state of the art eye care facility as well as in fully equipped rural health clinics; while at the same time enjoying the unparalleled beauty and tranquility of the Appalachian mountain region.

Responsibilities:

1. Be highly knowledgeable in the field of Pediatric Eye Care and Binocular Vision Management.
2. Develop and teach courses and/or laboratories addressing various pediatric eye conditions, such as strabismus, amblyopia, refractive errors, disease, and binocular vision disorders.
3. Provide direct patient care and clinical instruction to professional students and interdisciplinary practice with other educational professionals.
4. Candidates must be willing to actively participate in curricular assessment, professional development, student counseling and service activities within the college, university and the scientific community.
5. Successful candidates are also expected to be involved in traditional research and scholarly activities, and have a sincere commitment to optometric education, community service and patient care.

Requirements:

- Minimum Doctor of Optometry Degree (O.D.) and/or Ph.D. (or equivalent) in a discipline related to optometry or its associated basis sciences.
- Residency training in Pediatrics and Binocular Vision OR a minimum of five years relevant clinical experience is preferred.
- Optometrist applicants should be eligible for licensure in the state of Kentucky with expanded therapeutics certification and are expected to participate in patient care services.
- Applicants must have excellent organizational, communication, teaching and decision-making skills.
- Prior college teaching experience is strongly preferred.

The University of Pikeville offers a competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. UPIKE offers a competitive benefits package including medical, dental, vision, and life insurance, telemedicine, long term disability, tuition waivers, a 403(b)-retirement plan, and HSA, FSA, & dependent care accounts. UPIKE also offers a generous holiday schedule and paid leave program.

Important Notes: Resume and other application materials will be reviewed to determine if you meet the required qualifications for the position. If it is determined that you meet the required qualifications, your application materials will be used to identify a top group of the most highly qualified candidates. Please, specifically address the qualifications, competencies and desired qualifications in your resume and application materials.

The University of Pikeville is committed to providing a safe and productive learning, living and working community. To achieve this goal, we conduct background investigations for all final applicants being considered

for employment. Background investigations include a criminal history record check, and when appropriate, a financial and/or motor vehicle history.

The University of Pikeville is an equal opportunity employer committed to assembling a diverse, broadly trained faculty and staff. The University of Pikeville does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, sex, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, age or disabilities in its programs, activities, hiring, or the admission of students.

For more information about the University of Pikeville, please visit <http://www.upike.edu>. In addition to the application, interested applicants are requested to attach to their application a letter of interest, current curriculum vitae, copies of their transcripts, and the contact information for three to five professional references.