

Fellowship of the New Zealand College of Optometrists Inc.

Guidelines:

1. Applicants for Fellowship must have maintained continuous membership of the College for a minimum of two years.
2. Applications must be endorsed by 2 members and the non-refundable application fee (currently NZ\$200) must be paid.
3. Academic requirements for Fellowship for ***practising optometrists***:
 - (a) Three case reports published in optometric journals and an oral examination.

or

 - (b) Three papers of a professional/educational nature or other scholarly writing published in optometry journals and an oral examination.

or

 - (c) Twelve case reports demonstrating excellence and innovation in an optometric specialty and an oral examination.
4. Academic requirements for Fellowship for ***academic optometrists***:
 - (a) Applicants must submit a detailed curriculum vitae
 - (b) Academic Committee will take into account the following:
 - * Academic appointment held
 - * Publication in the scientific literature
 - * Appointments to national & international bodies
 - * Research grants held
 - (c) Academic Committee reserves the right to conduct an interview

Fellows of the College may use the letters FNZCO after their names.

Procedures for Case Records

Applicants must apply to the General Secretary in writing and identify the area of optometric speciality.

Academic Committee will assign an Adviser who will guide the applicant in the preparation of the case records.

The applicant will submit 3 case records for review and comment by the Adviser.

On receipt of the 12 completed case records, Academic Committee will appoint two Assessors, one of whom will be the Adviser to the applicant. The Assessors will mark the case records and submit a written report to Academic Committee.

An oral examination will be arranged.