

Fellowship Program

Terms & Conditions



By enrolling in the ACBO Fellowship Program, you agree to be bound by the following Terms & Conditions.

Prerequisites

- Must be a registered Optometrist
- Must be a financial member of ACBO in good standing to commence the program and to retain the credential after graduation
- Minimum of 2 years in practice
- Must have completed EITHER:
 - The UNSW Masters in Behavioural Optometry, OR
 - All 4 courses in the OEP Core Curriculum (Art & Science, VT1, VT2 & VT3)

Payment

The total cost of the program is \$3,000 AUD+ gst.

Payments are due in 2 tranches of \$1,500 AUD + gst:

1. At enrolment in Year 1
2. At Closed Book Exam in October of Year 2

Deferral

A candidate may apply to the Fellowship Exam Board to defer and resume the program at a later date. These applications will be evaluated on a case by case basis. The decision to allow the deferral rests with the Fellowship Exam Board and their decision is final.

To resume their studies without having to re-enrol, the candidate needs to show ongoing & continuous involvement in education specific to Behavioural Optometry and maintain membership during the hiatus.

If the above condition is not met, the candidate will have to re-enrol and pay all fees associated with a new registration.

Marking of submissions

Satisfactory completion of the various stages of the Fellowship process may be subject to criteria additional to just an exam mark, and is at the discretion of the Fellowship Exam Board. Their decision is final.

Graduation

A candidate will not graduate from the Fellowship Program until all course work has been submitted and the work has been passed. Graduations are announced after final marking of work after April every year, with presentations at the following NACBO national conference annually.

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Code of Conduct



In addition to the previous Terms & Conditions, all candidates are expected to observe the following etiquette. Non-compliance may result in termination from the program.

- Please remember that the Fellowship Exam Board are all volunteers who are happy to donate time and expertise because they love what they do. They deserve appreciation from program participants and all ACBO members.
- All communication with the Fellowship Exam Board should be within the Fellowship Study Centre.
- Candidates must comply with formatting and submission guidelines as described in the Fellowship Study Centre.
- Submission deadlines must be observed.
- Candidates are expected to watch the Fellowship Study Centre for information and announcements. Email alerts are generated automatically.
- In the event that a Fellowship Exam Board Member is also a Mentor, he/she may not participate in the assessment of their Mentee's work, as this represents a clear conflict of interest.
- Rudeness or bullying behaviour towards Fellowship Exam Board members or other delegates will not be tolerated and may result in termination from the program.
- All program decisions are at the discretion of the Fellowship Exam Board
- The Fellowship Exam Board is a sub-committee of the ACBO Executive Board, who hold ultimate authority in the event of any issues