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Re-applying

To be a viable re-applicant, you must have significantly improved your competitiveness and must meet our minimum academic qualification of at least a 3.0 overall GPA and OAT section scores of 300 or above.

If I reapply, do I have to go through the same application process again?

OptomCAS, optometry's centralized application service, does not purge all components of your application from the previous admissions cycle, and it is not necessary to create a new login. If you were a verified applicant from a previous admissions cycle, OptomCAS will carry over demographic information and completed course listings. All transcripts will need to be resubmitted, with an option to edit formerly entered information.

OptomCAS **does not archive** LORs and personal statements year to year. As a re-applicant and if you choose to submit LORs on your behalf, you have the option of using Letters of Recommendation (LORs) submitted previously by resubmitting contact information for your recommenders. Although not required, it is suggested that one additional new LOR be provided. It is required to resubmit your personal statements and answers to the supplemental application questions.

OAT scores expire after 2 years. The OAT test date must be no more than 2 years prior to the beginning of the application season, which begins on July 1st of any given year. For example, if you apply for the 2016-17 admissions cycle, you will need to have taken the OAT on or after July 1, 2014 for your OAT test scores to be valid.

Being an optometrist is a lifelong commitment. Applicants who are fully committed to their future, their profession, and especially to SCCO is what we seek. If you are a re-applicant and wish to seek counseling, contact our team of advisers at ODadmissions@ketchum.edu. Your file will be reviewed and specifics discussed as to how you may improve your application to be more competitive.

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