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The Interview—The Second Qualifying Round

Once you meet the academic qualification you will be invited for an interview.

The interview is designed to evaluate your personal and professional potential and whether or not you are ready to make a commitment to optometry as a career. It is designed to address two overarching questions:

- “Does the applicant have qualities necessary to be a doctor of optometry?”
- “Does the applicant have the motivation to complete a professional graduate education?”

Snapshot of the Interview Day:

- One on one interview with a faculty member that lasts approximately 45 minutes
- Meeting with Assistant Dean of Admissions to review any unmet prerequisite requirements
- Tours:
 - Tour of main campus including classrooms, labs, library, gym, and student center
 - Tour of or virtual learning lab, VRmagic medical simulation lab
 - Offsite tour of Ketchum Health, our main clinical facility
- Lunch with a student panel presentation
- Financial aid presentation
- Presentation about SCCO’s program, its features and benefits