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**COURSE TITLE AND NUMBER:** Opt 6122 - Optometry Project I

**CLASS DAYS & TIME:** Tuesday, August 16, 6:30 PM  
Other meetings to be arranged

**PREREQUISITES:** OPT 6111 Research Methodology

**CATALOG DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:** The optometry project extends through three semesters. The project is to be conducted under the supervision of a faculty member and the Student Project Committee. A student or a group of students not to exceed four persons is to select and develop a topic relating to optometry. The topic may be pursued in the laboratory, library or clinic culminating in a written paper. Optometry Project I requires a review of the literature, which will be submitted for a letter grade at the end of the semester. Optometry Project II and III will together constitute another letter grade.

**COURSE PURPOSE:** Optometry 6122 requires student investigators to provide a comprehensive, scholarly literature review on a topic germane to optometry. The literature review will provide direction toward the research project required of all students.

**EXPECTED COURSE OUTCOMES:** Each student is expected to complete the following tasks during this course:

- Choose a research topic, partner and faculty advisor
- Review the literature to the background and methods used in that field of research.
- Write a paper summarizing the literature review.
- Write a one-page research plan summarizing your proposed research project

**INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS:** Student investigators are expected to use the ophthalmic literature to study a general topic. This includes reading journal articles in the John Vaughn Library, applying for the interlibrary loan of articles not held by NSU, using textbooks and monographs appropriately and using internet resources as taught in Opt 6111. Refer to the course web site or Blackboard for other course information.

**INSTRUCTIONAL PROCEDURES:** Instruction consists of guidance provided by Dr. Salmon, interaction with the faculty advisor and independent library research work.

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE ACTIVITIES:**

An initial orientation session is scheduled, and other classes may be scheduled as needed. For most of the course, students will work outside of class. They must independently establish a

