

REGISTRATION POLICY

Approved Education Programs

Introduction

One of the ways to meet the registration requirements for a certificate of registration as a registered intern optician or a registered optician is to complete an opticianry program that is approved by the Registration Committee or by an accrediting body approved by the Registration Committee.

Program approval ensures that applicants are prepared to practise opticianry safely, competently and ethically and is in line with the College of Opticians of Ontario's (the College) mandate to protect the public.

Graduates of an approved program are considered to have met the education requirement for registration with the College.

Programs Approved by the Registration Committee

The programs listed below have been approved by Accreditation Canada, which is an accrediting body approved by the Registration Committee, and meet the registration requirements set out in the Registration Regulation:

Educational Institution	Name of Program
Georgian College	Diploma in Opticianry
Seneca Polytechnic	Diploma in Opticianry
Collège La Cité	Diplômé du programme d'Opticien
Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT)* <small>*completion of both programs is required for registration</small>	Optical Sciences - Eyeglasses Diploma Optical Sciences - Contact Lenses Certificate
Southern Alberta Institute of Technology	Optician Diploma
Stenberg College	Optician Diploma Program
New Brunswick Community College	Diploma in Opticianry
Douglas College	Diploma in Dispensing Opticianry
Vancouver Community College	Optician Diploma