**Clearing entry requirements:**
Clearing entry requirements are expected to be 'A' Level: CCD (to include at least 1 science at A level preferably Biology at grade C or above (88 tariff points))

BTEC National Diploma in a relevant science subject with DDD or above

GCSE: A minimum of five passes grade 4 (C) in GCSE, including English and Mathematics.

**About the course:**
This course is for students who would like to train as a dispensing optician while gaining a degree with a strong focus on the workplace. On completion of the course students may complete their pre-registration period and qualify as a dispensing optician or apply to join BSc Optometry (minimum 2 years). This course leads to a rewarding career as a dispensing optician, a specialist trained to dispense and fit ophthalmic lenses and spectacle frames. Job prospects are good and the career is interesting and rewarding. The career is suited to those who enjoy working with people.

The course is a partnership between City, University of London and City and Islington College, with the majority of teaching at the college. We believe that learning is a joint venture between staff and students. You will be assisted through lectures, tutorials, practical classes, group work and a work placement. This combination provides a superb opportunity both for learning and preparing you for your career.

Assessment is based on examinations, coursework tests, presentations, practical write-ups, practical work and practice based assessment. Students learn through a variety of different formats including lectures, tutorials, seminars, laboratory work, clinical practice and our web-based virtual learning environment.

**Core modules studied:**

**Year 1**
- Visual optics
- Human biology
- Practice management
- Optics and quantitative methods
- Ophthalmic lenses and dispensing
Year 2
- Clinical skills
- Visual and neural biology
- Ophthalmic lenses and dispensing
- Optics
- Work placement
- Visual optics and low vision
- Ocular anatomy and contact lenses

Clearing application process:
City will accept a limited number of students through clearing to the FDOD Ophthalmic Dispensing degree course starting in 2017. For clearing application enquiries, please email optometry@city.ac.uk

Key course details:
The course is 2 years long. The course is taught at City, University of London and City and Islington College, with the majority of teaching taking place at the college.

Course start date:
Monday 25th September 2017

Duration:
2 years, full time course

Location:
The course is predominately taught at City and Islington College in north London

Fees:
UK/EU
Full-time: £9,250 for the first year of study (2018/19 and following years fees to be confirmed)

Non-EU
Full-time: £15,000 for the first year of study (2018/19 and following years fees to be confirmed)

Scholarships and bursaries:
City, University of London and the School of Health Sciences have a range of scholarships and bursaries open to students applying to study undergraduate courses in September 2017, find out more.

Why choose to study Optometry at City?
- City is ranked 1st in London for Optometry (2017 Guardian University Guide)
- 100% student satisfaction (2016 National Student Survey)
- Central London location

Careers:
On completion, graduates may gain exemption from the theory exams of the Association of British Dispensing Opticians and continue their pre-registration training to become a registered dispensing optician or apply to join BSc Optometry (minimum 2 years).