

# Optometry and Vision Science

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OPTICS AND OPTOMETRY  
RESEARCH CENTER  
UNIVERSITY OF MILANO BICOCCA



## OUTLINE

- Overview
- E-learning
- LAB
- Courses
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# 120 cfu (ECTS)

60 cfu exams + 12 cfu student's choice + 48 cfu  
(10 exams) (2 exams)

- full-time: 2 years
- part-time: 4 years

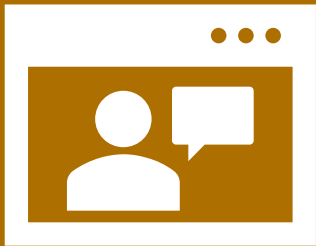
English & Blended

NO limited number, but INTERVIEW



# Blended Modality

**Lessons  
IN-PERSON**



Video-  
recorded

**e-tivities  
DISTANCE**



synchronous  
or  
asynchronous  
e-tivity

**LAB  
IN-PERSON**



concentrated  
periods

YEAR	ECTS	STRUCTURE	
1	6	5 mandatory exams	<b>Optometric Investigative Techniques - I</b>
	6		<b>History and Techniques of Contemporary Optometry</b>
	6		<b>Visual Ergonomics</b>
	6		<b>Physics of Vision</b>
	6		<b>Mathematical Computational Methods for Optics</b>
	6	1 mandatory exam	<b>Psychometrics and Quantitative Methods</b>
	6+6	2 exams to be selected in a list of 5 courses	<b>Optometric Investigative Techniques - II</b> <b>Optometry and Low Vision</b> <b>Specialty Contact Lenses</b> <b>Adaptive Optics</b> <b>Materials Spectroscopy and Microscopy</b>
	12	12 cfu student's choice	<b>Elective courses</b>
3	<b>Additional language skills</b>		
2	6	1 mandatory exam	<b>Optical Properties of Materials</b>
	6	1 exam to be selected in a list of 3 courses	<b>Introduction to digital imaging and computer vision</b> <b>Virtual and Augmented Reality</b> <b>Visual Neurosciences</b>
	45	<b>Stage + final exam</b>	

I sem

II sem

YEAR	ECTS	STRUCTURE PART-TIME		
1	6	<b>2 mandatory exams</b>	Optometric Investigative Techniques - I	I sem
	6		Visual Ergonomics	
	6	<b>1 mandatory exam</b>	Psychometrics and Quantitative Methods	II sem
	6+6	<b>2 exams to be selected in a list of 5 courses</b>	Optometric Investigative Techniques - II Optometry and Low Vision Specialty Contact Lenses Adaptive Optics Materials Spectroscopy and Microscopy	
2	6	<b>3 mandatory exams</b>	Physics of Vision	I sem
	6		Mathematical and Computational Methods for Optics	
	6		History and Techniques of Contemporary Optometry	
	12	<b>12 cfu student's choice</b>	Elective courses	II sem
	3	<b>Additional language skills</b>		
3	6	<b>1 mandatory exam</b>	Optical Properties of Materials	
4	6	<b>1 exam to be selected in a list of 3 courses</b>	Introduction to digital imaging and computer vision Virtual and Augmented Reality Visual Neurosciences	
3-4	45	<b>Stage + final exam</b>		

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## Online teaching

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Economic

Law

Medicine

Psychology

Education

Science

Sociology



# Science

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☰ BACHELOR DEGREE

☰ MASTER DEGREE



☰ TEACHING COORDINATION COUNCILS, COMMITTEES AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL BODIES

☰ PROJECT "REFRESHING MATHS"

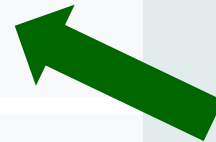
☰ ERASMUS

- ☰ ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY [F9102Q]
- ☰ ASTROFISICA E FISICA DELLO SPAZIO [F5801Q]
- ☰ ASTROPHYSICS AND SPACE PHYSICS [F5802Q]
- ☰ BIOLOGIA [F0601Q]
- ☰ BIOTECNOLOGIE INDUSTRIALI [F0802Q]
- ☰ DATA SCIENCE [F9101Q]
- ☰ DATA SCIENCE [FDS01Q]
- ☰ ECONOMICS AND TECHNOLOGIES FOR SUSTAINABILITY [F7603Q]
- ☰ FISICA [F1701Q]
- ☰ INFORMATICA [F1801Q]
- ☰ MARINE SCIENCES [F7502Q]
- ☰ MATEMATICA [F4001Q]
- ☰ MATERIALS SCIENCE [F5302Q]
- ☰ MATERIALS SCIENCE AND NANOTECHNOLOGY [FSM01Q]
- ☰ OPTOMETRY AND VISION SCIENCE [F1702Q]
- ☰ SCIENZA DEI MATERIALI [F5301Q]
- ☰ SCIENZE E TECNOLOGIE CHIMICHE [F5401Q]
- ☰ SCIENZE E TECNOLOGIE GEOLOGICHE [F7401Q]
- ☰ SCIENZE E TECNOLOGIE PER L'AMBIENTE E IL TERRITORIO [F7501Q]
- ☰ TEORIA E TECNOLOGIA DELLA COMUNICAZIONE [F9201P]





GENERAL INFORMATION



COURSES

# General Information

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## Announcements

CDS-F1702Q-NEWS

## Course Overview, Regulations, Planned Courses

CDS-F1702Q-INFO

## Orienteering for Future Students and Admission Procedures

CDS-F1702Q-SOS

## Teaching Plan (Full-Time, Part-Time)

CDS-F1702Q-OFFDID

## Academic Calendar, Timetable, Exam Sessions

CDS-F1702Q-CALENDAR

## Internships and Final Exam

CDS-F1702Q-STAGE

## Outgoing orientation

CDS-F1702Q-OUT

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COURSES





Optometric Investigative Techniques - I 2425-1-F1702Q001	ECTS: 6	
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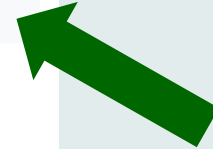
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Optometry and Low Vision 2425-1-F1702Q008	ECTS: 6	
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Physics of Vision 2425-1-F1702Q004	ECTS: 6	
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Specialty Contact Lenses 2425-1-F1702Q009	ECTS: 6	
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Visual Ergonomics 2425-1-F1702Q003	ECTS: 6	
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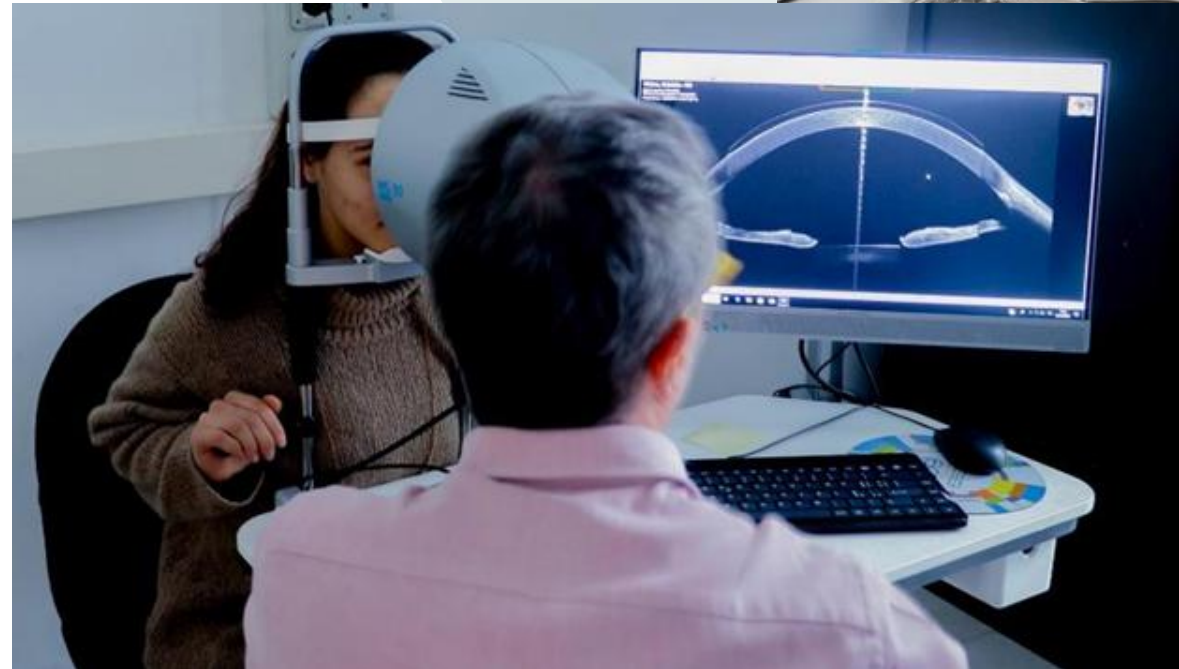
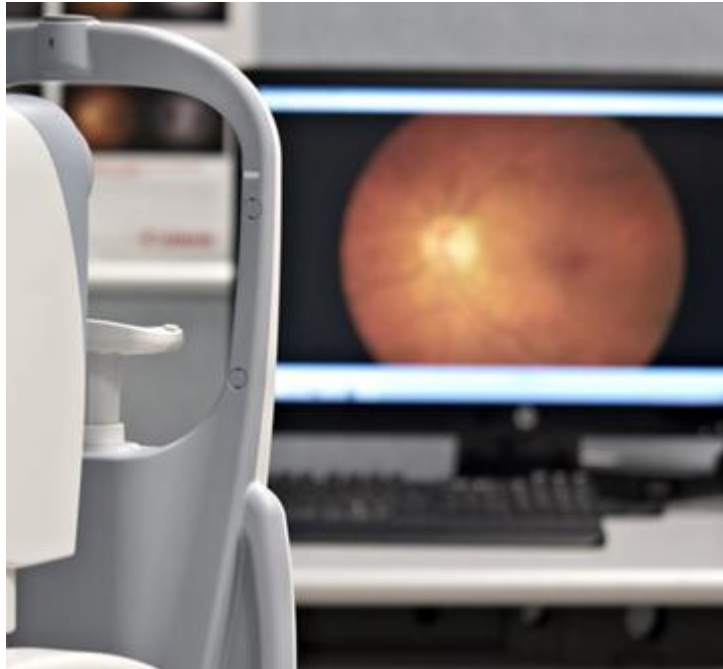
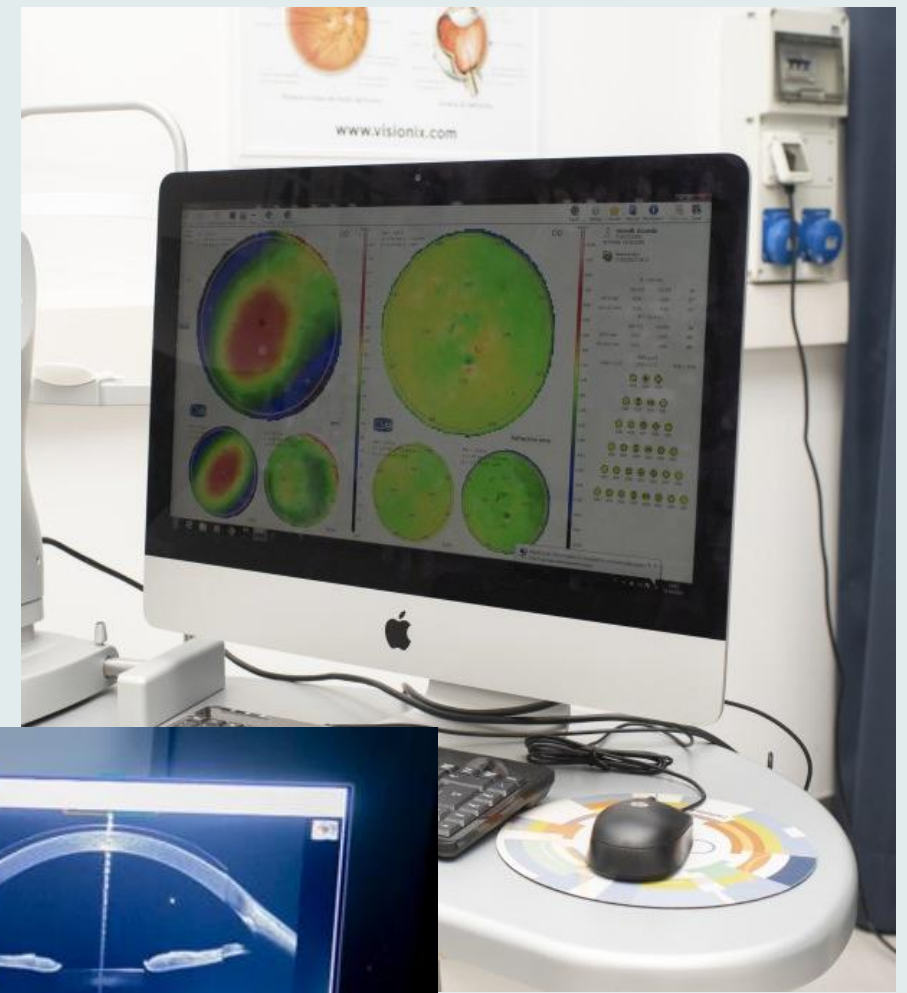
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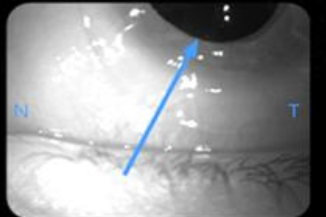
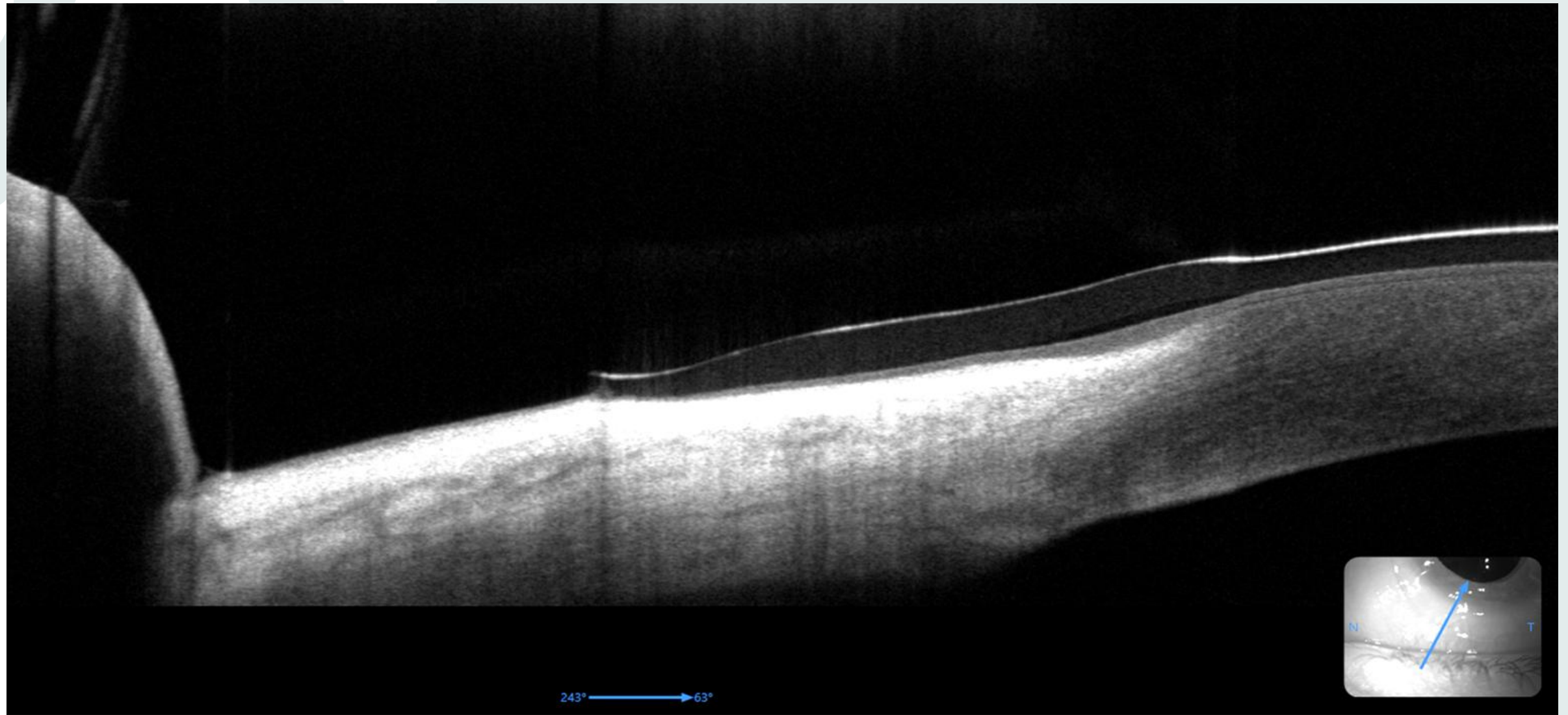
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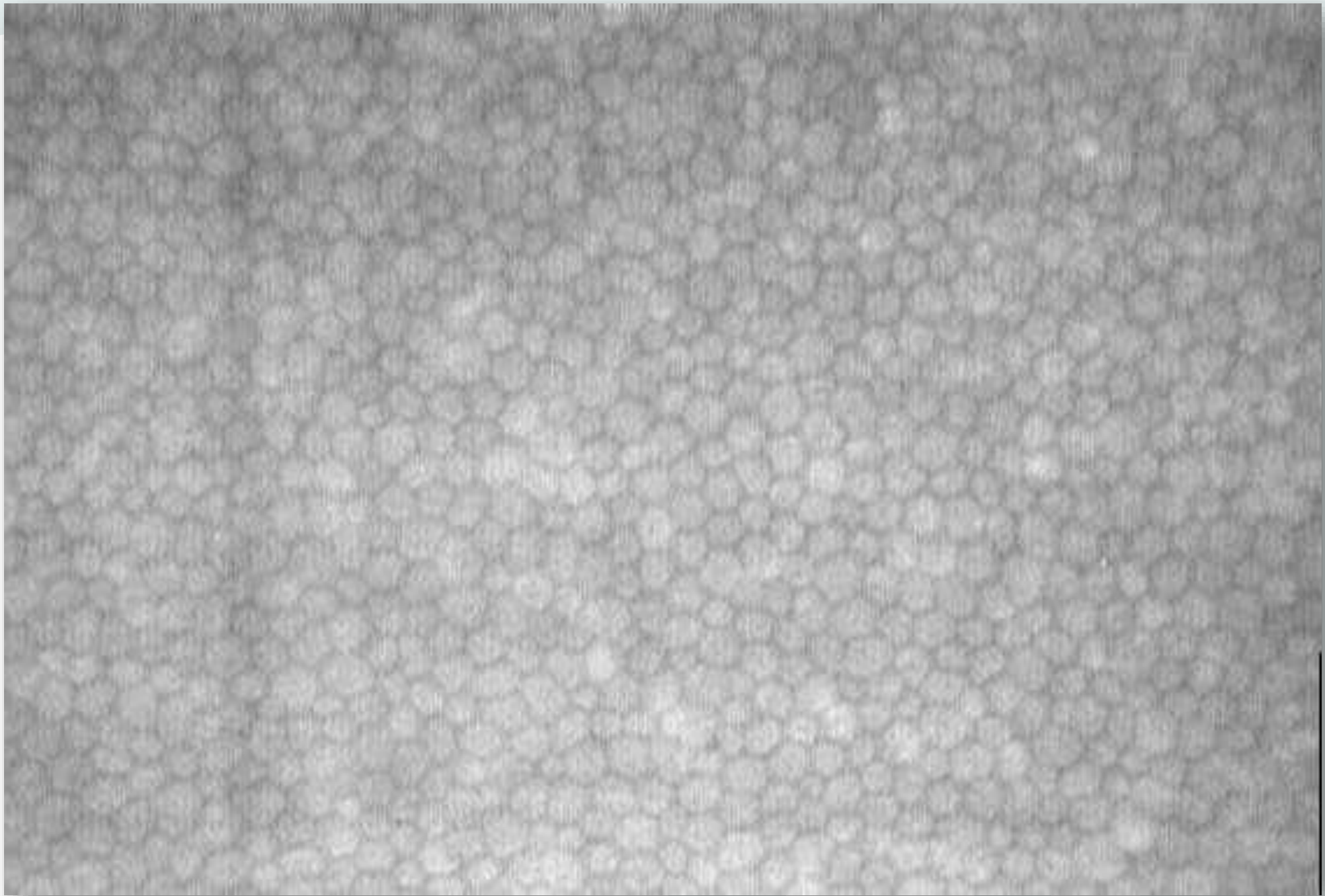
# LAB (dates to be confirmed)

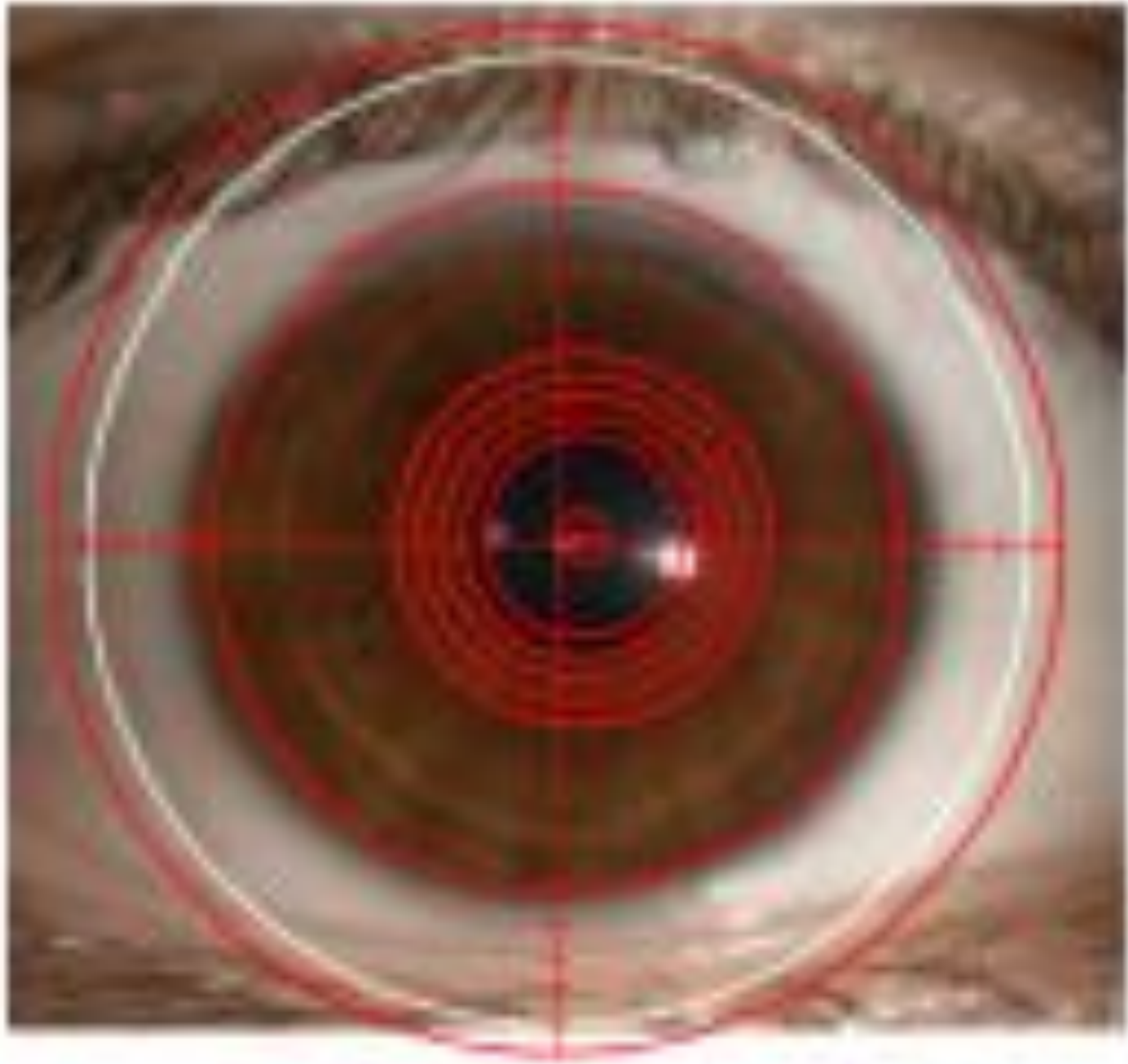
	1 SEM	2 SEM
TURNO A	November 9, 2026	April 12, 2027
	November 10, 2026	April 13, 2027
	November 11, 2026	April 14, 2027
		April 15, 2027
		April 16, 2027
	1 SEM	2 SEM
TURNO B	January 11, 2027	April 26, 2027
	January 12, 2027	April 27, 2027
	January 13, 2027	April 28, 2027
		April 29, 2027
		April 30, 2027

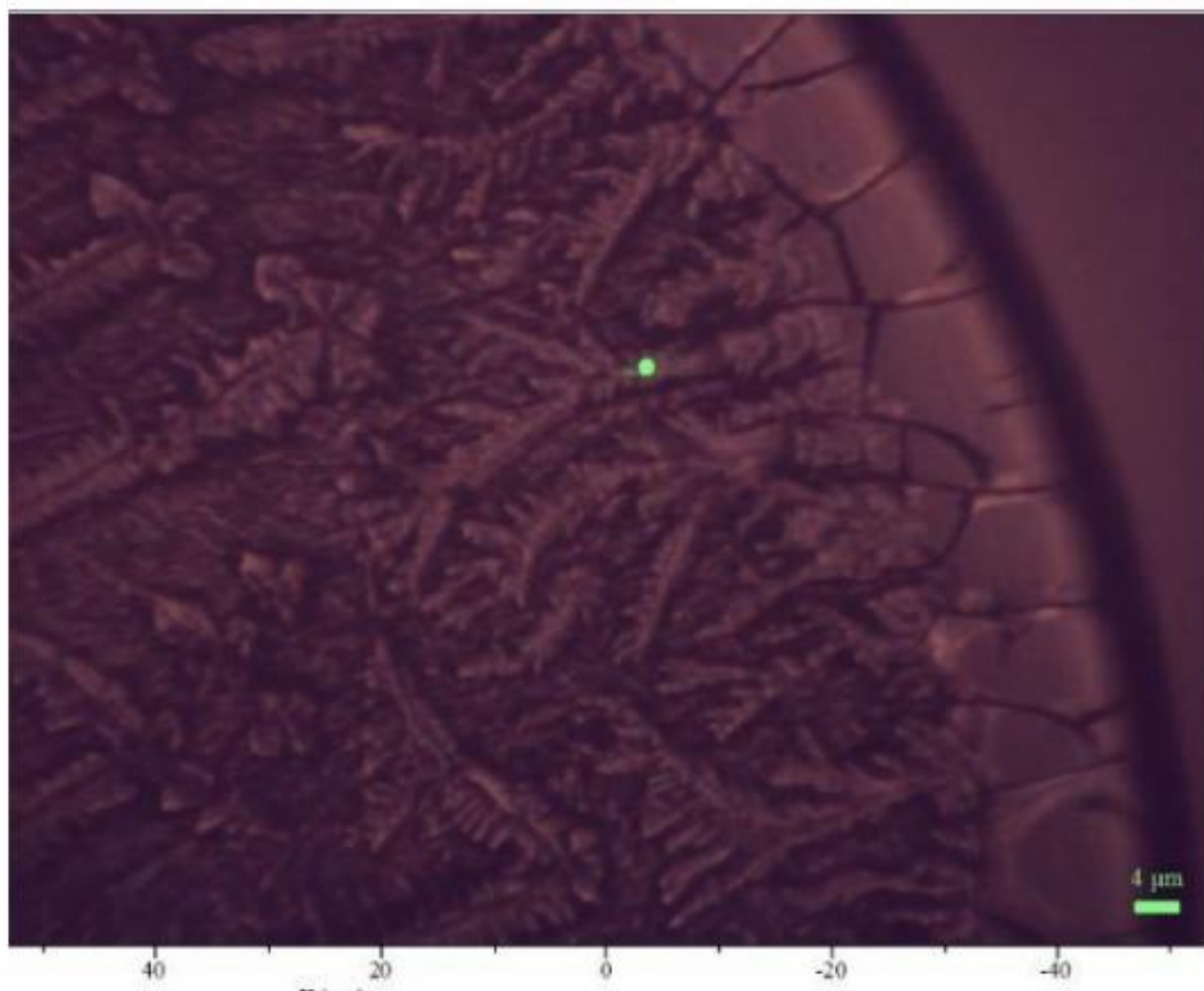
- ❑ Advanced instrumentation available at the COMiB research center in optics and optometry
- ❑ Instruments specifically provided for the Master Degree by companies











# Academic Year 2024/25



# Academic Year 2025/26



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# History and Techniques of Contemporary Optometry

- 35 hs video-recorded + e-tivities
- 12 hs LAB

LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

Silvia TAVAZZI  
Antonio CALOSI  
Erika PONZINI  
Jessica SACCANI

## EVOLUTION, OPERATING PRINCIPLES, AND USE OF:

- ♣ Ocular OCT
- ♣ Ocular biometry
- ♣ Ocular aberrometry

## SCIENTIFIC LITERATURE

- ♣ types of scientific articles
- ♣ search of the current literature
- ♣ citations and plagiarism detection
- ♣ new approaches based on artificial intelligence

## REVIEW OF THE SCIENTIFIC LITERATURE ON SPECIFIC TOPICS



# Optometric Investigative Techniques - I

- 35 hs video-recorded + e-tivities
- 12 hs LAB

LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

David PINERO  
Alfredo DESIATO  
Fabrizio ZERI  
Andrea BERTELLI

Cyclopegic vs non cyclopegic refraction

Objective / Subjective Refraction

Binocularity, accommodation

Visual Psychophysics

Anterior chamber angle assessment

Tonometry

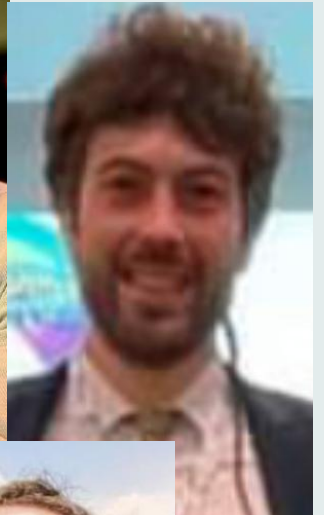
General Fundus Examination

The pupil and pupillary reflexes

Perimetry in clinical practice

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Optometric Case Studies, how to write a clinical case



# Visual Ergonomics

LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

Jacopo PEDRINI  
Francesco CARULLI  
Lorenzo FERRARO  
Fabrizio ZERI

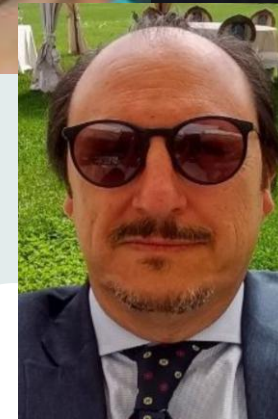
- 42 hs video-recorded + e-tivities
  - characterization of working environment
  - assessment of visual load
  - optometric management of visual ergonomics issues
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- software for lighting and renderings of workspace
  - measuring photometric characteristics of visual stimuli



# Optometric Investigative Techniques - II

- 39 hs video-recorded + e-tivities
- 12 hs LAB LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

- Principles of paediatrics
- Development of eye & visual system
- Development of binocular vision & accommodation
- Development of refractive errors in childhood
- Examination methods in children
- Optometric factors in learning disabilities
- Binocular vision anomalies in children
- Myopia management in children
- Children & contact lenses



Nicola RUPERTO  
Bruce EVANS  
Assunta DI VIZIO  
Fabrizio ZERI  
Paolo PALUMBO  
Jessica SACCANI

# Optometry and Low Vision

- 39 hs video-recorded + e-tivities
- 12 hs LAB LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED
- Aging and geriatrics: general, ocular
- Aging and accommodation/pupil
- Presbyopia
- Assess vision across the elderly (psychophysics, electrophysiology)
- Visual impairment and low vision: epidemiology and regulations
- Optical and digital low vision aids
- Clinical cases



**Chukwuma OKOYE**  
**Sotiris PLAINIS**  
**Riccardo CHELONI**  
**Fabrizio ZERI**  
**Javier RUIZ ALCOCER**

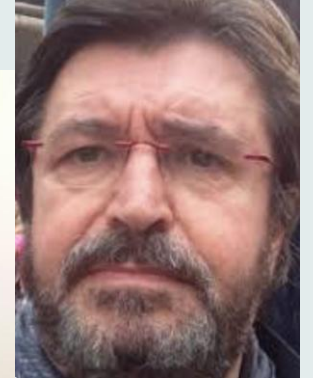


# Specialty Contact Lenses

- 35 hs video-recorded + e-tivities
- 12 hs LAB LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED
- corneal ectasia, irregular cornea surfaces, corneal dystrophies, dry eye
- Corneal surgery
- Scleral CLs
- Orthokeratology
- CL for irregular corneas (RGP, hybrids, piggyback)
- Post refractive surgery and post graft CL fitting
- Prosthetic, cosmetic, therapeutic CLs
- Dry eye assessment and management
- Case studies



Shehzad NAROO  
Erika PONZINI  
Marino FORMENTI  
Fabrizio ZERI  
Davide BRAMBILLA



# Virtual and Augmented Reality

- VIRTUAL AND AUGMENTED REALITY TECHNOLOGIES
- VISION IN VIRTUAL AND AUGMENTED REALITY

- 42 hs video-recorded

LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

- **Hardware, software, implementation VR/AR**
- **Usability, benefits, adverse effects**
- **Output devices and vision,  
Input devices and tracking,  
Interaction between virtual worlds**
- **Optometric aspects related to the visual system  
during VR/AR use**

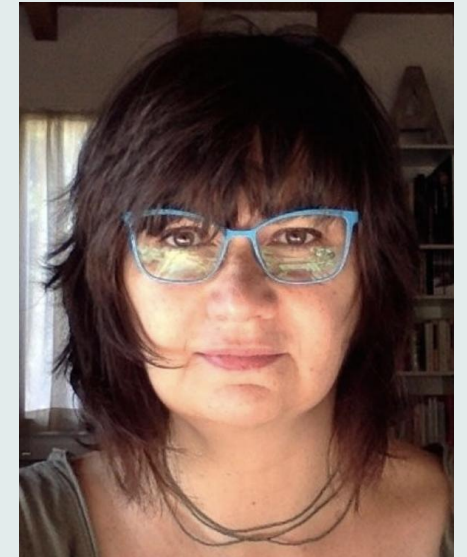
Daniela BRIOLA  
Rossana ACTIS GROSSO  
Fabrizio ZERI



# Visual Neurosciences

- 42 hs video-recorded **LECTURER TO BE CONFIRMED**
- **Cognitive neuroscience and neuropsychology**
- **How neural activity results in visual perception**
- **Visuo-perceptual disorders in brain-damaged patients**
- **Neuropsychological rehabilitation of visuo-perceptual disorders**
- **Healthy and pathological decline of brain mechanisms underlying visual perception in the older population**

**Roberta DAINI**



# Psychometrics and Quantitative Methods

- 42 hs video-recorded **LECTURER TO BE CONFIRMED**
- **Introduction to psychological measurement**
- **Direct and indirect measures**
- **Reliability and validity**
- **Statistical models and inferential statistics**
- **Multiple Regression**
- **ANOVA and General Linear Model**
- **Principal Component Analysis (PCA)**

**Marco PERUGINI**



# Physics of Vision

LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

- 42 hs video-recorded
- Recall of electromagnetism and wave physics
- Color measurement
- Physical origin of the color of light sources
- Physical origin of the color of metals, materials, and molecules
- Physical origin of structural colors
- Color vision

Roberto LORENZI  
Alberto PALEARI



# Mathematical and Computational Methods for Optics

- 52 hs video-recorded + e-tivities LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

**Silvia PICOZZI**  
**Lorenzo FERRARO**

- **Python Programming Language**
- **Introduction to Fourier optics: mathematical tools, physical principles, and applications**
- **Combination of the previous mathematical and physical concepts for applications in optics: lenses, filters**
- **Computer-aided optical system modelling, analysis, and design**



# Adaptive Optics

LECTURER TO BE CONFIRMED

Giuseppe CHIRICO



- 42 hs video-recorded + e-tivities
- Introduction to AO
- AO methods for the correction of optical aberrations:
  - deformable mirrors
  - spatial light modulators
- Methods to describe the optical aberrations
- Applications of AO for vision testing
- Analysis of AO ophthalmoscopes for retina imaging
- Role of AO to study accommodation
- High resolution AO imaging to diagnose vision defects at the scale of single photoreceptors

# Materials Spectroscopy and Microscopy

Giovanni DRERA

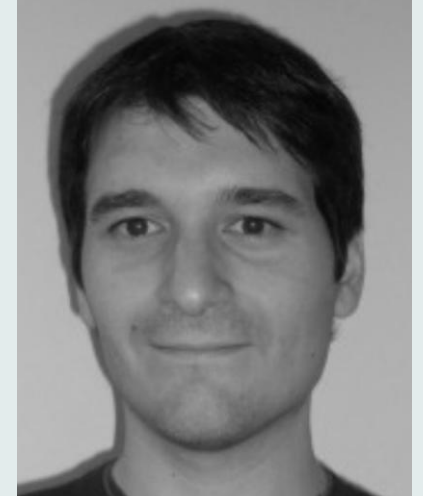


- 42 hs video-recorded + e-tivities LECTURER TO BE CONFIRMED
- Light-matter interaction
- Data analysis: smoothing, interpolation, noise, convolution/deconvolution filters, spectra matching, curve fitting, data visualization
- UV-VIS, Raman, IR/FTIR, Ellipsometry, X-rays (XRD, XPS, XAS) with special focus on materials for optics, optometry, and vision science
- Imaging techniques (SEM, TEM, STM, AFM) with special focus on the materials for optics, optometry, and vision science

# Optical Properties of Materials

LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

**Davide CAMPI**  
**Lorenzo FERRARO**



- 42 hs video-recorded + e-tivities
- Propagation of electromagnetic waves in a medium, including anisotropy
- Light polarization states and applications
- Scattering mechanisms
- Nanostructuring effects on optical properties and optical metamaterials
- Applications to simple cases relevant for optics and optometry using numerical simulations (ANSYS ZEMAX OpticStudio for ray-tracing simulations)

# Introduction to Digital Imaging and Computer Vision

LECTURERS TO BE CONFIRMED

Domenico SORRENTI  
Luca PRESOTTO



- 47 hs video-recorded

Image formation

A realistic pin-hole projection model

Calibration of the projection model

Image processing and enhancement

Image segmentation

Model-based vision

Point-based stereometry

Examples of applications in optics, optometry, ophthalmology

# 2<sup>nd</sup> year: STAGE and THESIS

**Internship and  
thesis  
experimental or  
computational**

University of  
Milano-Bicocca

Other Universities

abroad

Companies or  
other external  
sites

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# REQUIREMENT

1 out of 3

FOR

ADMISSION

**bachelor**

- Italian bachelor: obtained before end of 2026
- otherwise: August 2026

Classe L-30, classe 25 or suitable foreign degree

OR

altra classe  
+ 30 cfu FIS/01-FIS/03-FIS/07

**REQUIREMENT  
2 out of 3  
FOR  
ADMISSION**

**English B2**

**Italian bachelor**

**Certificate  
from an  
accredited  
institution  
(5 yrs)**

**English test  
Milano-  
Bicocca**

**Unimib or  
other  
Universities  
during  
bachelor  
(5cfu)**

**Degree  
obtained  
in English**

**specific  
passport**

**English test  
Milano-  
Bicocca**

**IN PRESENZA**

**1^ sessione: test dal 23 al 30 marzo 2026  
(invio richiesta entro il 17 marzo 2026)**

**2^ sessione: test dal 22 giugno al 3 luglio 2026  
(invio richiesta entro il 16 giugno 2026)**

**3^ sessione: test dal 2 al 7 settembre 2026  
(invio richiesta entro il 26 Agosto 2026)**

# REQUIREMENT

2 out of 3

FOR  
ADMISSION

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**Foreign bachelor**

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obtained  
in  
English**

**specific  
passport**

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an accredited  
institution  
(5 yrs)**

REQUIREMENT

3 out of 3

FOR

ADMISSION

**interview**

INTERVIEW

REMOTELY

IN ENGLISH

(A  $\geq$  18 out of 30)

# DEADLINES

deadlines are different for  
candidates with **foreign**  
**qualification: [apply.unimib.it](http://apply.unimib.it)**



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## CANDIDATI IN POSSESSO DEL PRECEDENTE TITOLO DI STUDIO ITALIANO

<b>Termini di presentazione della domanda di valutazione della carriera (solo per candidati in possesso del precedente titolo di studio acquisito in Italia)</b>	<b>Date di svolgimento del colloquio (solo per candidati in possesso del precedente titolo di studio acquisito in Italia)</b>
2 marzo - 29 maggio 2026	11 - 12 giugno 2026
8 giugno - 11 settembre 2026	24-25 settembre 2026

FUTURI STUDENTI

STUDENTI ISCRITTI

STUDENTI  
INTERNAZIONALI

DOPO LA LAUREA

ALUMNI



**FUTURI STUDENTI**

**CORSI DI LAUREA – ISCRIZIONI**

**SCIENZE – LAUREA MAGISTRALE**

Admission and enrolment

**NEW! - 2025/2026 A.Y.  
INTAKE**

New application platform for  
candidates with foreign  
qualifications



**CALL FOR ADMISSION  
2024/2025 A.Y.**



**ADMITTED STUDENTS LIST  
2024/2025 A.Y.**



**ENROL 2024/2025 A.Y.**





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