

# PREPARE FOR AN EXCITING CAREER AS AN **OPTICIAN**



As an optician, you'll fit customers for glasses and contact lenses according to their prescription from an optometrist. You may also be responsible for grinding lenses to fit frames, assembling glasses, and repairing or adjusting completed eye glasses.

## DAY IN THE LIFE



As an optician, you will work wherever eyeglasses and contact lenses are sold including medical offices and retail stores. As such, you'll have the opportunity to work in a variety of settings.



Most opticians work 40 hours per week, though part-time opportunities are also available in stores that have evening hours. Depending on the type of office or store you work in, you may have a flexible schedule that includes weekends and nights.

# 73,800 JOB OPENINGS PROJECTED EACH YEAR

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



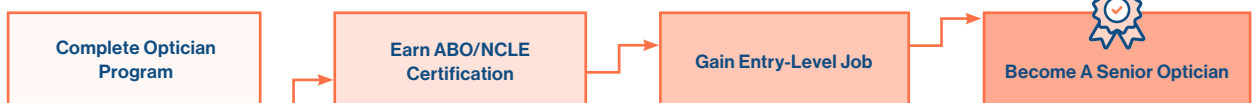
## Jobs to Pursue After Earning Your Career Diploma

- ✓ Optician
- ✓ Contact Lens Technician
- ✓ Certified Optician
- ✓ Optometric Technician
- ✓ Optometric Assistant
- ✓ Optical Technician

### JOB DESCRIPTIONS OFTEN INCLUDE

- American Board of Opticianry (ABO) Certification
- National Contact Lens Examiners (NCLE) Certification
- Some Post-Secondary Education
- Customer Service
- Selling Techniques
- Critical Thinking Skills
- Inventory Management
- Time Management
- Organizational Skills

## PATH TO LICENSURE\*



\*Path varies by state. Penn Foster training may be applied to education and experience hour requirements but is dependent on your local licensing authorities. EPA certification is required to work in this field. Penn Foster's program helps you prepare to sit for your EPA certification exam.