

ANGEL F. ROMERO AYALA

EDUCATION

June 1993 - July 1994 SUNY State College of Optometry New York, NY

Residency in Vision Therapy

- Vision Therapy Resident

August 1989 – May 1993 Inter American University School of Optometry
San Juan PR

Doctor of Optometry

- Valedictorian and Magna Cum Laude

August 1985 – May 1993 University of Puerto Rico Río Piedras San Juan PR

Major in Biology

- Pre-optometry studies

LICENSURES AND CERTIFICATIONS

License to practice Optometry in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico

License to practice Optometry in the State of New York with diagnostic pharmaceutical agents and full therapeutic pharmaceutical agents Phase 1 and Phase 2 privileges.

Passed the North East Region Competency Optometry Assessment Testing Service (NERCOATS) licensure test for the North East United States region.

Passed the National Boards of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO) Basic Science and Clinical Science tests.

Passed the International Association of Optometry Boards Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease Test (TMOD).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1994 - Present Inter American University School of Optometry

Taught classes in the Basic and Clinical Science Departments including Ocular Motility, Visual Function, Primary Eye Care, Anomalies of Binocular Vision and Vision Therapy, Pediatrics and Vision Therapy I & II, Clinical Instructor in the Primary Eye Care, Vision Therapy, Pediatrics, and Learning Disabilities Clinics.

1989 - 1993 SUNY State College of Optometry

Taught laboratories for Diagnostic Procedures and Vision Therapy Classes, supervision of clinical interns in the Vision Therapy, Primary Eye Care and Ocular Diseases Clinics.

PEER - REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

Continued Education at the American academy of Optometry Meeting: Phoenix 2012: Clinical Management of Adult Sudden Onset Diplopia: Five Cases

COPE approved courses: Clinical Management of Adult Sudden Onset Diplopia, Bifocals for Children?, Protocol for Cycloplegic Refraction, Protocol and Management of Cycloplegic Refraction, and Vision Problems Related to Learning Disabilities.

Poster at the 9th International Conference on Low Vision, 2008, Montreal, Canada: Optometric Low Vision Manpower Study for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Poster at the Congress of the American Optometric Association 2002: Amblyopia Eccentric Fixation Therapy in an Adult Patient.

Poster at the Congress of the American Academy of Optometry 2001: More Than a Common Headache.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Romero, A. Diagnosis of superior rectus overaction after cataract surgery. *Optom Vis Dev.* 2010;42(3):172-177

NON-PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS, INTERVIEWS, PRESENTATIONS

Guest lecturer on Functional Vision for the Puerto Rico Association of Pediatric Psychologists. 2010

Guest lecturer at the Universidad Autónoma de Aguascalientes, Mexico: Research. November 2009

Desarrollo Visual del Niño. El Nuevo Día, Suplemento, Cuidado Pre-natal y Pediátrico. November 2008

Noti-Salud, Noticentro 4, September 2008, interview of pediatric visual development, and visual assessment.

Responsables los Padres de Cuidado Visual de Niños. El Todo. April 2007.

En Foco la Diagnósis Temprana. El Nuevo Día, Por Dentro. October, 1996.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Prevalence of Accommodative and Non-Strabismic Binocular Vision

Anomalies in the Puerto Rico Population. Currently in progress

Consultant for the San Juan Rotary Club: Healthy People 2010 Vision Grant to screen pre-school children and establish a referral service.

Optometric Low Vision Manpower Study for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico

Correlation of Nerve Fiber Layer Thickness with the Cup to Disc Ratio in Non-Glaucomatous Patients

Retrospective Study of Binocular Vision and Accommodative Anomalies in the Puerto Rico Clinical Population.

Luedde Vs. Hertel Exophthalmometry

Exophthalmometry Values in the Puerto Rico Population

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

August 2012: Appointed Dean for Academic Affairs: Interamerican University of Puerto Rico School of Optometry

2011 - present Inter American University School of Optometry
Associate Professor

2010 – Present: Appointment as Director of Academic Affairs

2006 – Present: Chair of the Curriculum Committee. Curriculum and NBEO Analysis. Responsibilities include curriculum outcome assessments, evaluation of NBEO results and comparisons to the curriculum, and making recommendations for curriculum changes. Currently designing a new curriculum.

2003 – January 2010 Member of the Puerto Rico Board of Examiners in Optometry. Appointed by the two past Governors, and confirmed by the Senate of Puerto Rico for two consecutive terms.

2001 – 2003 Treasurer of the Puerto Rico College of Optometry

1998 – Present Inter American University School of Optometry
Director of Clinical Science Department

1994 - 2010 Inter American University School of Optometry
Assistant Professor

- Chief of Pediatrics Clinic
- Chief of Vision Therapy Clinic
- Chief of Learning Disabilities Clinic

1993 - 1994 SUNY State College of Optometry New York, NY

Assistant Clinical Instructor

- Vision Therapy Resident

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

July 1994 – present Puerto Rico

Clinical Faculty member

- Providing clinical supervision and proctoring to third and fourth year interns in the primary eye care, vision therapy, learning disabilities and pediatrics clinics.

October 1993 – June 1994 New York, NY

Primary Eye Care Optometrist

- Providing primary eye care services in various offices in the New York Metropolitan Area.

June 1993 – July 1994 New York, NY

Primary Eye Care / Vision Therapy

- Providing primary eye care, vision therapy and learning disabilities service within the College as a resident in vision therapy.

December 1995 – present

Primary Eye Care provider

- Providing primary eye care services at Cidra Optical, Cidra, PR, as an independent provider.

Colegio de Optómetras de Puerto Rico

College of Optometrists in Vision Development

Beta Sigma Kappa Honor Fraternity of Optometry

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Former member of the Asociación de Servicios Voluntarios de Optometría (ASVO/VOSH).

- Visiting the Dominican Republic and various towns in Puerto Rico to offer humanitarian services in Optometry to underprivileged communities

LANGUAGES

Completely fluent in spoken and written Spanish and English