



Andrew Milder

Optometrist

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Education

Doctor of Optometry 2019 - 2023

Indiana University

- Graduated with honors
- Received Graduate Certificate in Business Management

Bachelor of Arts, Communication Sciences and Disorders 2014 - 2019

University of Northern Iowa

- Graduated *magna cum laude*
- Minors in Biology and Study of Religion

Employment & Clinical Experience

Optometrist Oct. 2025 - Present

Modern Vision Solutions – West Des Moines, IA

- Private optometry/ophthalmology practice with emphasis in primary eye care, myopia management, and cataract/refractive surgery
- Completed preoperative and postoperative exams for LASIK, SMILE, PRK, EVO ICL, RLE, and CE/IOL
- Performed light adjustments for RxSight Light Adjustable Lenses

Optometrist Jun. 2023 - Sep. 2025

Vision Care Center – Peoria, IL

- Private optometry practice with primary eye care, vision therapy, specialty contact lens, and ocular disease management services
- Experience with scleral contact lenses and orthokeratology
- Utilized Lumenis IPL, TearCare SmartLids, OcuSOFT Thermal One-Touch, and BlephEx for treatment of dry eye syndrome

Optometry Extern Feb. 2023 - Apr. 2023

Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center – Indianapolis, IN

- Optometry/ophthalmology clinic with emphasis in primary eye care and ocular disease management
- Completed 6 to 10 examinations per day with limited oversight

Optometry Extern Nov. 2022 - Feb. 2023

Lexington VA Health Care System – Lexington, KY

- Optometry clinic with emphasis in primary eye care, ocular disease management, and low vision rehabilitation
- Completed 6 to 10 examinations per day with limited oversight

Optometry Extern Aug. 2022 - Oct. 2022

EyeCare Consultants – Evansville, IN

- Optometry/ophthalmology combined practice with emphasis in management of cataracts, glaucoma, ocular surface disease, and neuro-ophthalmic disorders
- Participated in clinical examination and treatment of 15 to 25 patients per day
- Utilized BlephEx and LipiFlow Thermal Pulsation for treatment of dry eye syndrome

Tutor Aug. 2020 - May 2023

Indiana University School of Optometry – Bloomington, IN

- Tutored for General Pharmacology, Geometric and Visual Optics I and II, Ocular Biology, Pediatric Optometry, Systems Approach to Biomedical Science I and II, and Vision Science I
- Provided guidance to optometry students seeking to improve understanding of course materials
- Supplied additional materials to students to enhance learning

Pharmacy Sales Associate

Aug. 2018 - May 2019

Walmart – Cedar Falls, IA

- Processed pharmaceutical sales and distributed prescription drugs to customers in a timely manner
- Assisted customers in finding over-the-counter medications
- Handled cash during transactions

Optometry Intern

Jul. 2021 - Aug. 2022

Atwater Eye Care Center – Bloomington, IN

- Optometry clinic with primary eye care, vision therapy, specialty contact lens, ocular disease management, and low vision rehabilitation services
- Experience with scleral contact lenses and orthokeratology
- Completed 2 to 6 examinations per day with limited oversight

Optometric Technician

May 2017 - Jan. 2018

The EyeCare Associates – Cedar Falls, IA

- Performed tests on patients using special testing equipment (autorefractor/keratometer, digital retinal camera, Humphrey visual field analyzer, and Heidelberg Spectralis OCT)
- Retrieved and filed patient records quickly and accurately
- Ordered contact lenses from major distributors

Leadership Experience

President (2024 - 2025)

Illinois Valley Optometric Society

- Planned and organized continuing education lectures for optometrists
- Promoted and advertised upcoming events via email and social media

President (2017 - 2018), Vice President (2016 - 2017)

University of Northern Iowa Explorers of Religion

- Planned meeting topics and organized club activities
- Delivered presentations and facilitated group discussion
- Promoted and advertised upcoming events via email and social media
- Reached out to leaders of other student organizations in order to coordinate multi-group events

Volunteer Experience

- Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity – Member (2019 - 2020)
- Washington County Wellness Fair – Vision Screening Volunteer (2022)
- Bloomington High School North Sports Pre-participation Physicals – Vision Screening Volunteer (2022)
- Special Olympics: Opening Eyes – Vision Screening Volunteer (2022)

Honors & Awards

Dean's Academic Scholarship

Indiana University

Award in the amount of \$10,000 per year, renewed for four years. Presented to first-time incoming freshman out-of-state students based on high academic performance.

Distinguished Scholar Award

University of Northern Iowa

Award in the amount of \$2,000 per year, renewed for two years. Presented to incoming freshman students based on academic performance in high school.

Dean's Award (College of Humanities, Arts, and Sciences)

University of Northern Iowa

Award in the amount of \$500 presented to outstanding students of the College of Humanities, Arts, and Sciences.

Fahrney Education Foundation Scholarship

Fahrney Education Foundation

Award in the amount of \$2,000 presented to exceptional full-time students who are residents of Wapello County (Iowa) attending an Iowa college or university. Received four times.

Beta Sigma Kappa Membership

[Beta Sigma Kappa International Optometric Honor Society](#)

Inducted as a member of Beta Sigma Kappa. Membership is offered to students that attain a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale at the conclusion of the first academic year.

Golden Key Membership

[Golden Key International Honour Society](#)

Inducted as a member of Golden Key International Honour Society. Membership is offered to undergraduate and graduate students recognized to be among the top 15% of their class by GPA.

Phi Eta Sigma Membership

[Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society](#)

Inducted as a member of Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society. Membership is offered to students with a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale at the close of any full-time curricular period during their first year.