

FQE Revision Workshop



Subject Area	Ophthalmics
Course Type	Professional
Study Level	No Qualification
Delivery Mode	Part-time
Location	Garden Mills
Duration	12 Weeks
Start Date	September 2025
Course Code	PA000476

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Course Summary

This revision workshop is for students who have graduated from their training institute and are looking to take their FQEs for the first time or revise for re-sits for particular sections.

The workshop will run over 12 weeks, consisting of 5 weeks of online tutoring with access to our learning resources. These online sessions will be on a Wednesday morning via MS Teams for 90 minutes. This will be supplemented with 7 face to face workshops, also on a Wednesday morning for 3 hours.

You will not gain a qualification from attending this course, this is a revision workshop in preparation for your FQE exams which will be booked directly with ABDO Examinations via your student membership portal.

If you are on your 4th and final attempt for any section, please notify your tutor at the start of the programme to ensure they have a copy of your paperwork to sign for you. You will need to attend the face-to-face sessions for this paperwork to be signed, it will

not be signed for attendance that has taken place online only.

To be enrolled on this workshop you will need to make payment in advance of attendance. You will not receive an invite to view the resources or online and face to face classes until confirmation of payment has been received.

What You Will Learn

The workshop will cover the 2015 ABDO syllabus for the FQEs. Although all topics will be covered across the 12-week programme for those sitting the full examinations, you will be able to work on specific sections only should you be re-sitting. Teaching and learning methods include:

- Small group discussions
- Seminars, tutorials and practical sessions
- Group work
- Self-directed learning
- Independent and group projects
- Lectures
- VLE based exercises

Modules

Section A – Overview

A1: Spectacle checking

A2: Spectacle duplication

A3: Manual Skills Tasks

Section B – Overview

B1: Handmade frame

B2: Paediatric Dispense

B3: Bespoke Progressive Dispense

Section C – Prescription Analysis

Section D – Overview

D1: Abnormal Ocular Conditions

D2: Abnormal Ocular Conditions

D3: Low Vision

D4: Low Vision

D5: Special Optical Appliances

D6: Sports Appliances

Entry Requirements

Entry onto this workshop programme requires completion of your studies in one of the following courses:

- BSc (Hons) Ophthalmic Dispensing
- FdSc in Ophthalmic Dispensing

You must have also successfully completed your PQEs and be ready to sit your FQEs in either winter 2025 or the summer of 2025. For the winter sitting you must apply via your student portal to ABDO Examinations by the 1st October 2024. For the summer sitting, your window to apply will open mid-January 2025 and close on the 1st March 2025.

Please note this programme will run for semester 1 and then be repeated in semester 2 (total course length is 12 weeks not a full academic year).

Work Experience

You must be working in Practice to attend this workshop programme. Bradford College has excellent links with industry and students on the FQE workshop will benefit from visiting lecturers or revision content provision during the programme. These include:

- Hoya UK Ltd Ophthalmic Lens Manufacturer
- Stepper UK Ltd Spectacle Manufacturer
- Coral Eyewear Spectacle Manufacturer
- Rodenstock Ophthalmic Lens Manufacturer

Progression

Successfully completion of your FQE's after this workshop means you will be in a position to progress to:

- The role of a Dispensing Optician in a private practice, in the NHS or in a large multiple organisation
- A management position in an organisation
- Employment with lens and frame manufacturers
- You could go on to study the Contact Lens Certificate at Bradford College to train to become a Contact Lens Optician
- You could go on to study the Low Vision Honours course at Bradford College to train to become a Low Vision specialist

Many of our previous students have become:

- Practice Owners / Practice Directors
- Practice Managers
- Account Managers
- Specialists in the field of Contact Lens fitting and Low Vision.

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