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# **FELLOWSHIP IN OPHTHALMIC FACIAL PLASTIC SURGERY**

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## **Overview**

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The University of Wisconsin Fellowship in Ophthalmic Facial Plastic Surgery is a 24-month ASOPRS-sponsored fellowship. The goal of this fellowship is to provide the fellow in depth exposure to all aspects of reconstructive and aesthetic ophthalmic facial plastic surgery.

Clinics are located at University Station, UW Transformations, Davis Duehr Dean, the Aesthetic Center, Lemke Facial Surgery, and the William S. Middleton VA Medical Center.

Surgery is performed regularly at the University of Wisconsin Hospital, UW Transformations Surgery Center, Davis Duehr Dean, Dean, Nova Med Surgery Center, and the VA, and occasionally at St. Mary's Hospital and Meriter Hospital.

To learn more about the University of Wisconsin Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, please visit the department web site at <http://ophth.wisc.edu/>. Also, to learn about Madison, WI, please visit the City of Madison web site at <http://www.cityofmadison.com/>.

## **Description of the Fellowship**

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This fellowship fulfills the requirements of, and has been sponsored by, the American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Inc. (ASOPRS).

The fellowship also fulfills the requirements of, and has been accredited by, the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery (AACS). It is a Facial Cosmetic Surgery Training Program recognized by the American Board of Cosmetic Surgery.

Clinical responsibilities involve all aspects of functional and cosmetic ophthalmic facial plastic pre-operative and post-operative care. The fellow spends approximately 50% of his or her clinical time with Dr. Lucarelli and the remaining time with Dr. Rose, Dr. Burkat and Dr. Lemke. Pre- and post-operative patient evaluation occurs largely during office sessions at the University Station Clinic, Davis Duehr Dean Clinic, and the VA. Ophthalmic plastic surgery at the Madison Veterans Administration Hospital is staffed primarily by the fellow, typically on a monthly basis.

The fellowship begins with an intense exposure to ophthalmic facial plastic surgery. After this core experience, exposure is possible in craniofacial surgery, otolaryngology/facial plastic surgery, general plastic surgery, dermatology, Mohs surgery, neuro-imaging and neuro-ophthalmology. Experience in orbital ultrasound, pathology, and ophthalmology is also available. Orbital and facial cadaver dissection and work on the fellow's ASOPRS and AACS theses and other academic projects are performed during scheduled times and after hours. Off-campus rotations are possible during the second year of the fellowship. The fellow's salary is continued during these experiences, but additional supplemental funding is not available. A modest travel stipend for the AAO/ASOPRS meetings is provided annually.

The fellow holds an appointment of Clinical Instructor within the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and is actively involved in resident teaching in the clinic and in the operating room in preparation for academic endeavors following completion of the fellowship. The fellow gives a number of lectures to the residents and staff. The fellow also helps organize an orbital dissection course and assists with a practical course in principles of ophthalmic facial plastic surgery for residents and ophthalmologists in practice. Surgical oculoplastics teaching at the Veterans Hospital is shared significantly by the fellow. The fellow develops expertise with the oculoplastic literature and is occasionally asked to discuss articles at departmental Journal Club Meetings. When possible, the fellow attends weekly Grand Rounds and a weekly Case Review Conference.

In further preparation for teaching responsibilities following the fellowship, the past fellows have built large clinical image collections. The preceptors emphasize photography in their practices.

University of Wisconsin Ophthalmic Facial Plastic Surgery fellows share in a rich tradition of scholarship and academic productivity. High surgical volume and an academic approach provide excellent opportunities for clinical studies. Anatomic dissection studies and other clinically relevant lab-based research are encouraged. Numerous important advances in orbital, adnexal and facial anatomy have resulted from fellows' research conducted at the University of Wisconsin, often in collaboration with other investigators. Many of these studies have been recognized by the ASOPRS and the AACS with national awards. UW fellows are energetic and actively generate publications and chapters during the fellowship. Most fellows go on to active participation in part-time or full-time academic positions.

The preceptors are fully committed to the fellow's training and strive to produce the finest fellowship experience available in ophthalmic plastic and oculofacial cosmetic surgery. Very high expectations for performance are balanced by a supportive and collegial environment. Prior UW Ophthalmic Facial Plastic Surgery fellows enjoy ongoing friendships and collaboration. This includes a yearly fellowship gathering (White Coat Society Dinner) during the AAO meeting.

## **Program Director**

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Dr. Lucarelli's background includes: B.A. from the University of Dayton; M.D. from Washington University, St. Louis; internship at Washington University Medical Center – Barnes Jewish Hospital of Saint Louis; ophthalmology residency at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Harvard Medical School; Chief Resident, Director of Eye Trauma, and Associate Chief of Ophthalmology – Residency and Fellowship Affairs at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary; fellowship in Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery with Drs. Richard K. Dortzbach, Bradley N. Lemke, Madison, WI, and Dr. Russell S. Gonnering, Milwaukee, WI; diplomat of the American Board of Ophthalmology; fellow of the American College of Surgeons; Steering Committee, International Thyroid Eye Disease Study Group; fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology; member of the American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Inc.; member of the Society of Heed Fellows. Current affiliations are: Professor of Ophthalmology, Director, Oculoplastic, Facial Cosmetic, and Orbital Surgery Service, University of Wisconsin Medical School; staff member at Transformations Surgery Center, St. Mary's Hospital, Meriter Hospital, University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics, and consultant surgeon at William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital, Madison, WI. You may also visit Dr. Lucarelli's website at <http://www.opth.wisc.edu/faculty/lucarelli>.

## Faculty

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Dr. Burkat's background includes: B.A. from Harvard University; M.D. from University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry; internship in medicine at University of Rochester - Strong Memorial Hospital; ophthalmology residency at University of Rochester - Strong Memorial Hospital; Chief Resident; fellowship in Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery and Facial Cosmetic Surgery with Drs. Bradley N. Lemke, Mark J. Lucarelli, John G. Rose, and Richard K. Dortzbach, Madison, WI; member of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery and the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Current affiliations are: Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology, Oculoplastic, Facial Cosmetic, and Orbital Surgery Service, University of Wisconsin Medical School; staff member at Transformations Surgery Center, St. Mary's Hospital, Meriter Hospital, University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics, and William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital, Madison, WI. You may also visit Dr. Burkat's website at <http://www.oophth.wisc.edu/faculty/burkat>.

Dr. Lemke's background includes: B.A. from Swarthmore College; M.D. from Case Western Reserve University; internship at U.C.L.A. – Harbor General Hospital; ophthalmology residency at University of Wisconsin-Madison; fellowship in Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery with Dr. Orkan George Stasior, Albany Medical College; diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology; certified in facial cosmetic surgery by the American Board of Cosmetic Surgery; fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the American College of Surgeons, and the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery; member and past President of the American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Inc.; and member of The Blepharoplasty Society. Current affiliations in Madison, WI, are: private practice at Lemke Facial Surgery; Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology Volunteer Faculty, University of Wisconsin Medical School; Meriter Hospital, St. Mary's Hospital, Adams-Friendship Hospital, Oakleaf Surgical Hospital in Eau Claire, Ambulatory Surgery Center in Oshkosh, and consultant surgeon at William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital. You may also visit Dr. Lemke's website at <http://www.lemkefacialsurgery.com/meetus.html>.

Dr. Rose's background includes: B.A. from Dartmouth College; M.D. from Duke University; internship in medicine at Duke University Medical Center; ophthalmology residency at Duke University Eye Center; fellowship in Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery and Facial Cosmetic Surgery with Drs. Bradley N. Lemke, Mark J. Lucarelli, and Richard K. Dortzbach, Madison, WI; member of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery and fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Current affiliations are Oculoplastic, Orbital and Facial Cosmetic Surgery Service of Davis Duehr Dean, St. Mary's Hospital, University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics, Meriter Hospital and William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital. You may also visit Dr. Rose's website at [http://www.deancare.com/dhs/provider/doc\\_info.asp?id=421](http://www.deancare.com/dhs/provider/doc_info.asp?id=421).

Dr. Dortzbach's background includes: B.A. from Princeton University; and M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine; internship and ophthalmology residency at the University of Wisconsin-Madison; fellowship in Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery with Dr. Alston Callahan, Birmingham, AL; diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology; member of the Orbital Society; fellow of the American College of Surgeons; and member and past President of the American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Inc. Current affiliations are: University of Wisconsin Medical School, staff member at University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics; and consultant surgeon at William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital, Madison, WI. You may also visit Dr. Dortzbach's website at <http://www.oophth.wisc.edu/alumni/dortzbach>.

## **Duration**

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The fellowship is for two years (July 1, 2011-June 30, 2013).

## **Prerequisite**

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The applicant must have completed an accredited residency in ophthalmology prior to beginning the fellowship.

## **Medical License**

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A medical license from the State of Wisconsin is required. Information regarding this may be obtained from:

State of Wisconsin  
Department of Regulation and Licensing  
PO Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708  
608-266-2811  
Website: <http://drl.wi.gov/prof/doct/def.htm>

The fellow should inquire about applying for this license at least 12 months before beginning the fellowship. It is essential that the incoming fellow be licensed well in advance of the July start date.

## **Other Requirements**

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It is anticipated that the fellow, during or immediately following completion of the fellowship, will submit a thesis for membership in the American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Inc., and a separate thesis for completion of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery fellowship requirements, and subsequently publish this work.

## **Salary and Benefits**

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Current salary is UW PGY5 compensation. "Moonlighting" is not acceptable. Annually, two weeks of paid vacation are available. For details regarding salary and health insurance benefits, please contact:

Teri Cummings, HR Manager  
UW School of Medicine and Public Health  
Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences  
3310 University Avenue, Suite 206  
Madison, WI 53705-2135  
[tcummin@wisc.edu](mailto:tcummin@wisc.edu)  
(608) 262-9093

## Application

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Application for the fellowship should be sent to:

Shelby Hart, Program Assistant  
University of Wisconsin  
Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences  
600 Highland Avenue, F4/384 CSC  
Madison, WI 53792-3220

The application should include:

- 1) Your curriculum vitae
- 2) A letter from your Department Chairman or Residency Program Director
- 3) Letters from at least two other members of your Department
- 4) Handwritten essay (please see below)

In an effort to get to know you better and to provide more flexibility in your application, we also request a handwritten essay to enable you to tell us more about yourself as a person (e.g. people, places, or experiences contributing to your character and personal development. This essay should include a statement of your professional plans following completion of the fellowship.

We review applications only after the above requirements have been met. An interview in Madison will be requested of those applicants who seem to fit our program best.

Administrative questions may be directed to Shelby Hart via email at [shart@ophth.wisc.edu](mailto:shart@ophth.wisc.edu) or by phone at (608) 263-4823.