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### **Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry Student Receives Rick Bay Excellence in Eyecare Education Scholarship**

**Elkins Park, PA** – Alyssa Taddie, a fourth year student at Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO), was recently selected to receive the *Rick Bay Excellence in Eyecare Education Scholarship in Optometry*.

*The Rick Bay Excellence in Eyecare Education Scholarship*, named for the former publisher and president of the *Review of Optometry* and *Review of Ophthalmology*, is awarded each year to a Salus University PCO student. The University selects award recipients based on qualities that embody Rick's commitment to the profession including integrity, compassion, partnership and dedication to the greater good. An award of \$5,000 is given to the awardee.

"We are delighted to have Alyssa Taddie selected as the recipient of the 2017 Rick Bay Scholarship," said Dr. Melissa Trego, Salus PCO interim dean. "She has excelled at all aspects of her optometric education and has proven to be dedicated not only to her studies, but to her patients and the local community."

Taddie, a resident of Homer City, Pennsylvania, holds a bachelor's degree in natural sciences from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

#### ***About Salus University***

Salus University, founded as the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in 1919, today is a diversified, globally recognized professional academic center of learning that offers a wide range of degree programs in the professions of Optometry, Audiology, Physician Assistant, Public Health, Education and Rehabilitation for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Biomedicine, Occupational Therapy and Speech-Language Pathology. Salus operates four clinical facilities in the Philadelphia area that provide highly specialized vision, hearing and balance, and speech-language pathology services. The University has more than 1,200 students, including PhD candidates, and more than 14,300 alumni worldwide. For more information, please visit [www.salus.edu](http://www.salus.edu).