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Role of the DICE: Department Has Long and Distinguished History

To understand the continuing success of the University's Department of International and Continuing Education (DICE), one has to look at the history of the institution and the foundation on which it was established. [Albert Fitch, OD, FAAO](#), the founder and first president of what was, in 1919, the Pennsylvania State College of Optometry (PSCO), laid the strategic underpinnings for the eventual success of international programs by establishing a curriculum with a biomedical emphasis, which in turn would guide all other optometry programs in the United States.

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A Decade of Excellence for OT Department

When [Lauren Sponseller, PhD '18, MSOTR/L, MEd](#), chair of the Occupational Therapy (OT) program at Salus University, joined the department in 2012, the program was in its infancy. Ten years later, on the anniversary of its first decade of training OT students, Salus OT graduates are recognized as among the best in the country.

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Students Shine During Optometric Mission Trip

A group of 15 students and two faculty members from the [Pennsylvania College of Optometry \(PCO\)](#) at Salus University's chapter of the Student Optometric Service to Humanity (SOSH) on a humanitarian trip. The group traveled for 10 days in late November 2022 to La Barca, Jalisco, Mexico.

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