Elkins Park, Pa. — Andrew Muckin, OD ’21, of Lake Winola, Pennsylvania, recently graduated summa cum laude with a Doctor of Optometry degree from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO) at Salus University during a virtual event that streamed online May 27, marking the University’s 122nd commencement ceremony.
A Susquehanna University alumnus who earned a Bachelor of Science degree in biology in 2017, Muckin tallied several awards and recognitions while enrolled at PCO/Salus including the Alumni Association Award, a Clinical Excellence Citation, the Dr. Arthur Shlaifer Memorial Award for excellence in ocular pathology, the Beta Sigma Kappa Award and the Donald H. Evans, O.D. Award for recognition of outstanding service to PCO/Salus, the visual welfare of the public and the community.

During his time at PCO/Salus, Muckin held several leadership positions including president of Gold Key Honor Society, Salus student ambassador and the University’s student representative on the Middle States Commission on Higher Education self-study. Muckin also served as a student fellow of the American Academy of Optometry, a member of the American Optometric Association Leadership Society, and a student member of the Pennsylvania Optometric Association. Additionally, he volunteered annually at the Special Olympics Opening Eyes Program.

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