

# **Continuing Education for Elective Credit**

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### **Objective:**

To increase the quantity and diversity of elective offerings at UHCO.  
To begin the development of lifelong learning habits.  
To develop networking relationships between UHCO students and practicing Optometrists.

### **Details:**

Students will be allowed to take a maximum of 1 SCH of elective courses through CE. One SCH of CE will equal 15 clock hours of transcript quality CE. The student must register for the CE elective course at the beginning of the semester in which they intend to complete the work through normal UH protocols. The student must complete the required attendance of the CE and take the appropriate associated examinations within the semester in which they are registered. The TQ examinations will be administered and processed as they would for any Optometrist taking TQ CE. For non-TQ courses approved by the coursemaster, a one paragraph description per clock hour of CE will be prepared and submitted. Not later than 10 days prior to the end of the semester in which the student is registered, the CE hours, course descriptions and examination results will be reported to the coursemaster. The coursemaster will process and record a grade for the student. The student must have all 15 CE hours completed or no credit will be given for the course.

### **Qualifiers:**

Attendance of students at UHCO CE functions will be at no additional cost to the student (excluding special courses such as TPA, OGS courses, etc. where there may be an amenities charge). Students will be allowed to attend meetings on a space available basis. Courses to be taken must be approved, in advance, by the coursemaster. All verification materials, course descriptions and logs must be submitted by the appropriate deadlines to the UHCO Office of Continuing Education.

CE providers will include UHCO, TOA, HCOS, SWCO, AOA, AAO and others that are specifically approved by the coursemaster prior to the student taking the courses. The courses must be transcript quality, or a one paragraph written description including key elements of the lecture must be submitted for each clock hour of CE.