



OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Ophthalmology Residency Program is a three-year training program wherein four residents are accepted per year. It provides wide exposure to various eye ailments such as cataract, cornea and external diseases, glaucoma, low vision rehabilitation, neuro-ophthalmology, orbit/plastic/lacrimal, pediatric ophthalmology, refractive surgery, research and evidence-based medicine, retina, vitreous and uveitis.

FAST FACTS:

1. Start and Length of Program: The three-year program starts every January.

2. Training Committee:

Institute Director:	Ruben Lim Bon Siong, MD
Director Emeritus:	Mario V. Aquino, MD
Assistant Director:	Efren Laxamana, MD
Resident Training Officer:	Joseph Anthony Tumbocon, MD
Head of Community Service:	Efren Laxamana, MD

Section Heads:

Cataract	Jay Marianito Vicencio, MD
Cornea and External Disease	Jerome Mary Sarmiento, MD
Glaucoma	Mario V. Aquino, MD
Low Vision Rehabilitation	Shiela Santos-Jimenez, MD
Neuro-Ophthalmology	Raul Cruz, MD
Orbit/Plastic/Lacrimal	Prospero Ma. Tuano, MD
Pediatric Ophthalmology	Emilio Macias III, MD
Refractive Surgery	Winston Valentine Villar, MD
Research and evidence-based medicine	Jose Ma. Martinez, MD
Retina and Vitreous	Pearl Tamesis-Villalon, MD
Uveitis	Juan Lopez, MD

3. Passing rate in Specialty Board Examinations:

Board of Ophthalmology Diplomate Examinations (2005-2009)

- SLMC Ophthalmology residents: 80% passing rate
- National average from 2005-2009: 45-55% passing rate

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