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Ferris' Peterson-Klein appointed as an Associate Dean of Optometry

BIG RAPIDS – Nancy Peterson-Klein, a professor in the Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University, has been appointed as an Associate Dean, according to Michael Harris, vice president for academic affairs. Dr. Peterson-Klein's appointment, which is effective in May, is subject to approval by the Ferris Board of Trustees at its Feb. 26 meeting.

Peterson-Klein, who joined Ferris in 1977, presently serves as Director of External Rotations and Residencies and Chief of Primary Care Services. She graduated from The Ohio State University College of Optometry in 1969 and taught at OSU in the areas of binocular vision and rehabilitative vision from 1969-77.

At Ferris, her clinical teaching responsibilities are in the areas of binocular vision, contact lenses, primary care and the long distance learning courses for fourth year externs. She serves as a clinical examiner for the National Board of Examiners in Optometry, consultant to the Council on Optometric Education and chair of Region 3 Admittance Committee of the American Academy of Optometry.

Peterson-Klein has served on numerous Ferris committees relating to optometry, other University committees, and is currently a member of the Advisory Board of FSU's Center for Teaching, Learning and Faculty Development. She received her general degree from Cottey College in Nevada, MO, and her bachelor's degree in physiological optics and doctor of optometry degree from The Ohio State University.

In 2001, she received the Emil Arnold Award from the Michigan Optometric Association for outstanding contributions to *The Michigan Optometrist*. She is a member of the American Academy of Optometry, American Optometric Association, Michigan Optometric Association and American Optometric Student Association.

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