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Dear Students,

Today is a very happy important day to commemorate in your life. You are joining a profession oriented career program in optometry at the Sastra University, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu, India. Sankara Nethralaya is a well known number one ophthalmic institution in teaching, practical hands on training and research. Elite School of Optometry was accredited to BITS, Pilani for all most for 30 years, with excellent reputation with 100% employment of the graduates. Many continued post graduation to become Masters, Philosophers (PhD) in various subjects in optometry. Almost, 35 other schools in optometry education have started in India after our Elite School of Optometry. The Elite school of Optometry has set an example. There is no other optometry school offering four years under graduate program in India. I am happy and proud to state that 100% employability is there both in India and abroad. Further, many have reached top position in optometry education in USA and other foreign universities.

India has world largest population of blind people. About 6 million blind people need the services of optometrists. All of you haven take up this program today with ample opportunity to serve in rural and urban areas of India. You would be serving men and women, all age groups, in academic and clinical areas of optometry. You are all very fortunate that you are going to pursue successful, highly evolved professional course in visual sciences with assured employability.

Sastra University is internationally well known institution for its academics in Engineering, basic, life and social Science subjects. It has received innumerable accolades from all over the world for its strict adherence to academic, character moulding approach to education.

I sincerely thank the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor and all others who have led us over this path of the joining together of the two institutions.

Best regards and wishes,

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