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Please welcome
**Morgan
Cunningham**

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Hello there Lewistown!

My name is Morgan Cunningham and I am from Hysham, a small town in southeastern Montana. My father, Richard D. Cunningham, DVM, with the help of his employees and the entire Cunningham crew, runs a bustling large and small animal veterinary practice in my home town, which is where my curiosity in health and science piqued. I have grown up working with pets and livestock in 4-H, FFA, and through my vet clinic experiences; however, I have always felt more drawn to the human side of medicine. I gained experience in patient care by working as a CNA in the Extended Care Unit of the Holy Rosary Hospital in Miles City, Montana and I have shadowed a wide range of medical specialties including orthopedics, hematology, oncology, dermatology, and physical therapy—with my main interest being in family practice.

I graduated from Montana State University Bozeman in the spring of 2011 with a baccalaureate degree in Cell Biology and Neuroscience, and now as I write this, I am studying abroad in San Jose, Costa Rica to learn about their healthcare system and improve my Spanish. My older sister is attending law school at the University of Montana, while my younger brother will be entering his senior year at Hysham High school in the fall.

I enjoy playing basketball and volleyball, deepening my faith in the Lord, going for jogs, playing the piano, singing, riding horses for pleasure or work, volunteering for the Relay for Life organization, spending time with family and friends, and anything else that sends me into the great outdoors of Montana such as hunting and fishing.

Being raised in a rural community, I understand the great qualities of rural living and I have developed a true appreciation for the people who call such small towns their home. It is an honor to learn from Dr. Laura Bennett and I am looking forward to meeting all of you in Lewistown!

Sincerely, *Morgan Cunningham*



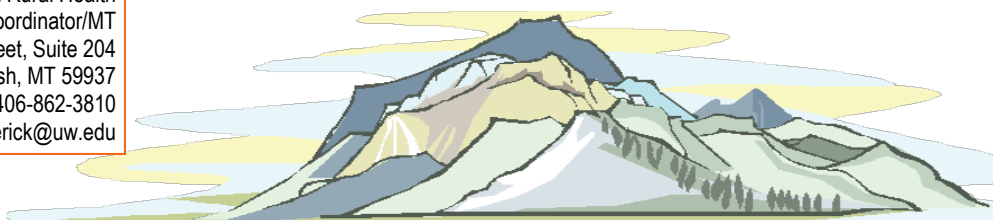
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