

TAPPY GISH

Targeted Rural Underserved Track

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UW MEDICINE

Wyoming

Entering Class of 2016

TRUST seeks to provide a continuous connection between rural, small city underserved communities, medical education, and health professionals in our region. Our goal is to create a full-circle pipeline by guiding qualified students through a special curriculum that connects continuity communities in WWAMI to the University of Washington School of Medicine and its network of affiliated residency programs in an effort to help meet the workforce needs of the region.

Hello Powell Community!

I am very excited and honored to have the opportunity to begin my WWAMI Trust experience in the wonderful town of Powell!

I am a fourth generation Wyoming native, growing up on a horse ranch just east of Laramie, WY where I spent most of my time training horses, going to brandings, and working cows. I began my collegiate career in veterinary medicine; however, found that I enjoy the fact that people tend to converse more; therefore began to move more towards human medicine instead! Throughout my time in school, I had the privilege of experiencing diverse aspects of medicine; from working with the Maasai Tribe in Endulen, Tanzania, to employment as an ED medical scribe at Cheyenne Regional Medical Center and Lead Scribe/Medical Assistant at Care United Medical Center of Laramie. I graduated from the University of Wyoming in the Spring of 2015 with a Bachelor's in Physiology. Upon getting into the University of Washington School of Medicine, I was elated to additionally be accepted into the WWAMI Trust program. I believe this is a wonderful program, in that it builds community awareness and supports becoming involved in the community that you work. As a provider, understanding your community at a deeper and more active level can drastically improve the physician you become, as it allows accurate understanding of your patients and the lives they are living, through an often empathetic manner.

My husband, Aaron, and I love Wyoming and all that it offers. At any point in time, we are either out hiking, camping, biking, rock climbing, and riding horses. As Wyoming does love to give us snow (sometimes clear into May), we also have the privilege of snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, and snowboarding for the majority of the year! I continue to have a small addiction to animals, and love taking my two dogs, Country and Ranger, out on all of our adventures. Teaching and playing piano, painting, and gardening are other personal outlets that I hold dear.

I am excited to return to Wyoming to start a family and raise our children with the many opportunities that Wyoming holds; therefore, I am so grateful for this opportunity that I have to pursue my goals. I look forward to meeting you, having an amazing learning experience, and acquainting myself with a very special community in this wonderful state of Wyoming!



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