

# DARCY VOLZ

## Targeted Rural UnderServed Track

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Montana

Entering Class of 2017

*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.*



Hi Lewistown! My name is Darcy Volz. I am excited to start my medical training in Lewistown as a first year medical student through the UW School of Medicine TRUST Program. I am thrilled to have the chance to learn from Dr. Christina Marchion and the rest of the healthcare team in this beautiful city.

Although born in Michigan, I have lived in Whitehall since I was eight. My love for the Big Sky State and the people here grew as I explored Jefferson Valley with my family; hiking, camping, kayaking, and skiing. My family is very close, and I am fortunate to have a large extended family in Whitehall. We enjoy spending time together, especially playing board games in the evenings.

I am an active, hands-on person. I like to hike, play sports, cook, and hang out with friends. I also really enjoy woodworking and construction. I have made several pieces of furniture, flower beds, and helped with upkeep on several apartments. When my college service club wanted to build a playset in a local park, I volunteered to head up the project. We built a 30 foot wooden train playset. It was fun!

I watched my grandfather, a physician, practice and connect with the community in Whitehall. I saw how much he cared about the people, not just their conditions. I wanted that. I wanted a career where I can continue to learn about the amazing details of being human. I wanted a career where I could be in service to others, make real connections with people, and spread my love of science. This is how I knew I wanted a career as a physician. This last year, I worked as a clinical aid in the Whitehall Medical Clinic. This experience has confirmed my belief that this is my calling.

I intend to return to a small town in Montana to practice. So far, I have felt pulled towards being a primary care physician. I am excited to have more exposure to many other specialties and I know my career specialty may change.

I cannot wait to get to know this community in the next few years as I begin my medical training!

*Darcy*



*Darcy and her family at her graduation from Graceland University*

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