

JUSTIN MORGAN

Targeted Rural UnderServed Track

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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.



Greetings to my new friends in Dillon! I am very excited about my placement at the Dillon TRUST site and can not wait to learn from you over the next few years.

My name is Justin Morgan and I am from Corvallis, MT a small town in the Bitterroot Valley. I grew up on a small farm where I was homeschooled alongside my sister. I had a classroom that included the community and wildness around the Bitterroot. Upon reaching 9th grade I started attending Corvallis High School and put my lanky frame to use running track and field. I attended the University of Montana where I majored in Biochemistry. I spent my summers living out of a small village in Alaska, working on commercial salmon fishing boats. I spent my free weekends during the school year skiing at one of many tiny ski hills in the vicinity of Missoula, usually whichever had received more snow.

After graduating from UM, I worked as a Medical Assistant for Providence Health and Services in Missoula for nearly two years. My job brought me to rural clinics throughout the Bitterroot and Flathead valleys. That was a truly great experience, as it allowed me to get first hand experience in patient care and appreciate the teamwork that is necessary for a clinic to operate efficiently.

I enjoy being challenged and dragged out of my comfort zone. This is reflected in my passion for outdoor activities like mountaineering, rock climbing, skiing, mountain biking, as well as my eagerness to undergo solo travels in Asia, Africa and Europe. I love Montana and believe the people here are truly some of the most wonderful in the country. Even though I have spent my entire life here, the list of places I want to



visit in the state has never been longer. I don't have much experience in Beaverhead county and will gladly take any tips on where to visit during my time there.

I am thrilled that my next step in this long journey has brought me to Dillon, and I can not wait to start learning everything you have to offer.

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