

Alumni Questionnaire (Job or Grad School)

How did your experience at USI help you find your first position after graduation?

I had excellent advisors and professors in POTT College who helped me navigate the path to medical school. They offered advice, wrote recommendation letters, talked me through applications, and provided moral support. I am so grateful for the USI community (especially USI bio + chem).

If you had it to do all over again, what would you do differently?

The only thing I would change is the number of science courses I took. I would have taken extra electives like embryology, anatomy, and immunology. However, of the courses I did take, I feel they prepared me well for the content and rigor of medical school.

On a typical day in this position, what do you do?

I go to class and spend the rest of the day studying 😊

What personal qualities or abilities are important to being successful in this job?

Honestly, above anything else, it takes hard work. There is a misconception that you need to be highly intelligent to succeed in medical school, and while it certainly does take intelligence, it can certainly be achieved with hard work.

What opportunities for advancement are there in this field?

I guess I'll find out! 😊

Is there a demand for people in this occupation?

Oh yes!

What do you think of the experience you've had so far in terms of entering this field?

It's been rigorous but exciting. I really enjoy what I'm learning and the path I've taken.

If you could do things all over again, would you choose the same path for yourself?

Why? What would you change?

Yes! I was worried medical school would take SO long, and while I'm still quite early in the process, it has flown by.

What part of this job do you find most satisfying? most challenging?

Knowing I'm on a path that will allow me to spend my life serving others is incredibly satisfying, and ultimately, what keeps me motivated. The hard part of medical school is....well medical school. It's tough but I've been told it's worth it!