



WYOMING'S MEDICAL SCHOOL

The WWAMI program is Wyoming's medical school. The program is a partnership between the University of Washington, the University of Wyoming, the Wyoming Medical Society, and Wyoming hospitals and physicians. WWAMI involves the states of Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho.

In 1997, Wyoming began its affiliation with the University of Washington School of Medicine and 10 Wyoming medical students began their medical education. The exceptional success of the Wyoming WWAMI Program led the Wyoming Legislature to increase the class size to 20 students beginning in 2011.

WWAMI emphasizes rural healthcare and the return of Wyoming WWAMI graduates to the practice of medicine in Wyoming. As of September 2025, 463 Wyoming students have entered the WWAMI program. 83 Wyoming students are currently enrolled in the MD program at the UWSOM. 284 students have finished residency training, and 172 of the 284 (60.6%) have returned to Wyoming to practice medicine.

Wyoming medical students spend the first 18 months of medical school at The University of Wyoming in Laramie for their Foundations curriculum. They then travel throughout the WWAMI region for their clinical training. The Wyoming WWAMI program provides many opportunities for medical students to train in clinics and hospitals across Wyoming, and in 2025, 186 Wyoming physicians have WWAMI faculty appointments and teach medical students.

Now in its 29th year, WWAMI is Wyoming's medical school. We train future physicians from Wyoming, in Wyoming, for Wyoming.

Admissions Committee

The Wyoming WWAMI Admissions Committee consists of four Wyoming Physicians who volunteer their time to review all applications for the Wyoming WWAMI Program. They then participate in group interviews of selected applicants. These interviews take place virtually in February. Students have the opportunity to tour our WWAMI facilities in Laramie and UWSOM in Seattle if they desire. Our admissions committee members are:

Jason Weyer, DO

Family Medicine – Thermopolis

Heith Waddell, MD

Family Medicine – Sundance

Danae Stampfli, MD

Pediatrics – Cheyenne

Steve Peasley, MD

Family Medicine/Emergency Medicine- Wheatland

Wyoming Entering Class of 2025



Scholarship Recipients for 2025

WMS Centennial Scholarship

Top WWAMI Graduate:

Bailey Stuart, MD (E-21)

WAFP – Graduates:

Tazle Markovich, MD (E-21)

Lawrence J. Cohen Scholarship:

Christopher Henry, MD (E-21)

Gruden WWAMI Scholarship Recipients

Celeste Keelin, Lulu Rochelle, Aedian O'Connor (E-24)

Howard Willson, MD

Excellence in Primary Care Award:

Annika Syvrud (E-24)

Pheneger Community Health Award:

Cassidy Sebastian, Shay Nelson (E-24)

Pheneger Scholarship:

Carlos Garcia, Linsey Lancaster (E-25)

Excellence In the Foundations Phase (New)

Benjamin Radosevich

WMS Centennial Scholarship:

Benjamin Radosevich, Aedian O'Connor (E-24)

E-2025 Wyoming Class

Easton Couch – Rawlins

Erica Farris – Cheyenne

Carlos Garcia – Wheatland

Elizabeth Girling – Jackson

Annabel Hagen – Jackson

Rachael Harrower – Jackson

Logan Jensen – Sheridan

Samantha Johnson – Cheyenne

Alexis King – Kemmerer

Margaret Kuehl – Sheridan

Linsey Lancaster – Evanston

Ali Lange – Rock Springs

Winston Littlejohn – Cheyenne

Cherol Minton – Moorcroft

Jordan Moore – Powell

Dalton Nichols – Gillette

Brooklyn Prince – Cheyenne

Gabrielle Reimann – Casper

Zoe Robinson – Sheridan

Daniel Shumway – Cheyenne



2025 Graduates Residency Match

Each spring, graduating Wyoming WWAMI medical students join their peers from medical schools across the country in learning where they "matched" and will be spending the next three to seven years in U.S. medical residency training programs.

Following their residency training and potentially a medical fellowship, these future physicians will be eligible to return and practice medicine in Wyoming, generally as board-certified physicians in their specialty noted.



Match Day 2025: By the Numbers

University of Washington School of Medicine/Wyoming WWAMI medical students typically do very well in the annual Match Day event and 2025 was no exception. This year's 19 graduating Wyoming WWAMI students matched into:

Anesthesiology – 2 students
Emergency Medicine – 1 student
Family Medicine – 4 students
Internal Medicine – 4 students
Internal Medicine/Pediatrics – 1 student
Otolaryngology – 1 student
Pediatrics – 2 students
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation – 1 student
Psychiatry – 2 students
General Surgery – 1 student

WWAMI-Trained Physicians Returning to Wyoming (Updates since last publication)

Caleb Brackett, MD
Family Medicine – Cheyenne

Natalie Eggleston, MD
Obstetrics and Gynecology – Jackson

Ryan Griesbach, MD (returned in 2023)
Radiology – Laramie

Daulton Grube, MD
Pediatrics – Cheyenne

Amanda Kinley, MD
Family Medicine – Fort Washakie

Maxwell Matson, MD (returned in 2023)
Internal Medicine – Fort Washakie

Daniel McKearney, MD
Orthopedics – Gillette

Dan Nicholls, MD
Anesthesiology – Laramie

Mason Stillman, MD
Psychiatry – Gillette

Lindsay White, MD
Urology – Casper

Ryan Winchell, MD
Emergency Medicine – Casper

Welcome Back to Wyoming!



Wyoming Office for Clinical Medical Education

The Wyoming Office for Clinical Medical Education, under the direction of Robert Monger, MD, is responsible for all Wyoming-based clinical activities for WWAMI medical students. The office works in close coordination with the WWAMI Medical Education Program at the University of Wyoming, the University of Washington, and the Wyoming Medical Society. Working together, these groups provide clinical medical education in Wyoming. Together with WMS, the University of Wyoming, the WWAMI Advisory Council, and other stakeholders, the office promotes clerkships, electives, and the development of graduate medical education programs in Wyoming.



Wyoming Clerkship Sites

Students may attend third and fourth year required clerkships as well as fourth year electives in any of the five states. Wyoming has the following clerkship sites:

Third Year Clerkships

Family Medicine

Buffalo – Brian Darnell, DO
Torrington – Norma Cantu, MD
Cheyenne – Ron Malm, DO
Douglas – DeeAnn Johnson-Engle, MD

Internal Medicine

Jackson – Mike Menolascino, MD
Douglas – Joseph Gutman, MD
Casper – Dustin Denham, MD
Sheridan – Juli Ackerman, MD

OB/GYN

Cheyenne – Samantha Michelena, MD
Sheridan – Rebecca Krzyminski, DO / Lindsay Capron, MD
Powell – Jenkins Clarkson, MD

Pediatrics

Cheyenne – Andrew Rose, MD
Jackson – Travis Riddell, MD
Sheridan – Michael Sanderson, MD
Gillette – Kyle Sabey, DO

Surgery

Casper – Aimee Gough, MD
Gillette – Jacob Rinker, MD

Psychiatry

Cheyenne – JJ Chen, MD
Sheridan – Reeba Chacko, MD

Fourth Year Clerkships

Emergency Medicine

Casper – Morgan Johnson, MD
Cheyenne – Matt Loptein, MD

Neurology

Casper – David Wheeler, MD
Cheyenne – Tracie Caller, MD

Electives Offered

Surgery

Buffalo – Blaine Ruby, MD
Rock Springs – Augusto Jamias, MD
Casper – Aimee Gough, MD

Orthopaedic Surgery

Jackson – David Khoury, MD

Family Medicine

Cheyenne – Ron Malm, DO
Casper – Blaine Levy, DO
Powell – Sarah Durney, MD
Thermopolis – Travis Bomengen, MD

Addiction Medicine

Sheridan – Jason Ackerman, MD

Anesthesiology

Cheyenne – John Jacob Barnes III, MD

Dermatology

Cheyenne – Paul Massey, MD
Sheridan – Amber Robbins, MD

Radiology

Casper – Jeff Rhea, MD

Pediatrics – Sub-I

Lander – Shalini Forbis, MD

Otolaryngology

Jackson – Martin Trott, MD
Laramie – Paul Johnson, MD

Cardiology

Gillette – Nicholas Stamato, MD/Sairav Shah, MD

2025-26 University of Wyoming WWAMI Faculty

WWAMI science faculty members work with physicians and other clinicians throughout the year, planning curriculum and collaborating with others across the WWAMI region. Many Wyoming WWAMI science faculty teach primarily in their home departments, and for some, their instruction in WWAMI occurs on a voluntary overload basis. WWAMI does have three faculty who have WWAMI as their home department and many joint hires with the Kinesiology & Health Department, the School of Pharmacy, and the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies. The physicians and other clinicians involved with teaching science material are contracted on an individual basis. We are grateful for the efforts and dedication of our entire WWAMI faculty!



In addition to learning foundational science as it applies to medicine (i.e. integrated science), students are taught foundations of clinical medicine. Foundational clinical skills are taught in four small groups – each with five medical students that are mentored by a physician (i.e. college faculty member) and a hospitalist that teaches clinical skills at the bedside. Students meet with their college faculty mentor on odd weeks and with their hospitalist on even weeks. The mentoring that these physicians provide for our students is expected to continue through the entire four years of medical school.



2025/26 Preceptors

Dr. Daiva Olipra

Dr. Liam Clark

Dr. Danae Stampfli

Dr. Rage Geringer

Dr. Carol Fischer

Dr. Katura Talbot

Dr. Amy Tortorich

Dr. Krystal Massey

Dr. Brian Horst

Dr. Emma Bjore

Dr. Casey Starks

Dr. Samantha Herriott

Dr. Samuel Hart

Dr. Tyler Gallo

Dr. Douglas Edgren

Dr. Kim Westbrook

Dr. Tracie Caller

Dr. John Horberg

Dr. Derek Ewell

Dr. Darren Mikesell

Dr. Andrea Habel

Laramie and Cheyenne physicians serve as Primary Care Practicum preceptors.

Foundations Integrated Sciences

Block Leader	Block Name
Pam Langer, PhD	Fundamentals of Medical Science and Research
John Willford, PhD	Infections and Immunity
Pam Langer, PhD & Elizabeth Quigley, PhD Candidate	Cancer, Hormones, and Blood
Cameron Walker, PhD	Mucles, Joints, Bones, and Skin & Mind, Brain, and Behavior
Amy Navratil, PhD	Reproduction and Development
Lindsay Rettler, PhD	Medicine, Health, and Society
Danielle Bruns, PhD	Cardiovascular System & Research Advisor
Brian Cherrington, PhD	Respiration and Regulation
Brenda Alexander, PhD	Head, Neck, and Gut
Thread Leader	Thread
Cameron Walker, PhD	Anatomy and Embryology
Brian Menkhaus, MD	Histology/Pathology
Sreejayan Nair, PhD	Pharmacology

Foundations Clinical Skills

Julie Carlson, MD (College Head), Dan Radosevich, MD, and Aaron Spurlock, MD	Foundations of Clinical Medicine
College Faculty	Specialty
Julie Carlson, MD	Internal Medicine
Tyler Gallo, DO	Internal Medicine
Nate Valencia Still, DO	Hospital Medicine & Critical Care
Janelle Fried, MD	Pediatrics
Hospital Teaching	Specialty
Julie Carlson, MD	Internal Medicine
Matty Carlson, MD	Internal Medicine
Lars Peterson, MD, FACP	Internal Medicine
Nate Valencia Still, DO	Hospital Medicine & Critical Care

RUOP[

Several WWAMI students participate in RUOP (Rural Underserved Opportunities Program), where they spend four weeks working with rural physicians in the summer following their first year of medical school. The purpose of the program is to encourage medical practice in rural communities by providing students with hands-on experience in clinical practice and intimate exposure to a rural community. Students also have the opportunity to discover how patients receive health care away from the highly specialized resources of the academic medical center in Seattle.

2025 Participants & the Communities They Served

Caden Crooks – Powell
Celeste Keelin – Thermopolis
Audrey Peasley – Douglas
Annika Syvrud – Fremont County
Makena Engelker – Rawlins
Noah Gustafson – Sheridan
Shay Nelson – Thayne
Avery Potter – Gillette
Timothy Radosevich – Cody
Jack Syring – Sundance
Hannah Thomas – Rock Springs

Research Symposium

On November 14, 2025, E-24 students presented their summer research projects at the WWAMI Research Symposium at the WMS Annual Meeting in Laramie. Award recipients are pictured below with American College of Physicians representatives Dr. Israel Stewart and Dr. Sierra Gross. Also pictured are Dr. Robert Monger, Nellie Bruns, and Dr. Todd Guth, as well as students Annika Syvrud, Rock Springs (RUOP, first place); Ben Radosevich, Casper (SoD, first place); Jill Mayer, Big Horn (Top Community Focused Scholarship); and Shay Nelson, Afton (Wyoming Health Impact Award).



TRUST in Wyoming

The Wyoming WWAMI program participates in TRUST (Targeted Rural Underserved Track), which is a program that encourages students interested in working in rural and underserved communities in the WWAMI region. All WWAMI states participate in the TRUST program. Three students from the E-25 class are participating as scholars in the TRUST program: **Cherol Minton** in Thermopolis, **Carlos Garcia** in Fremont County, and **Daniel Shumway** in Powell. The Wyoming WWAMI program will currently accept up to four students into the program every year.

WRITE 2.0

WRITE (WWAMI Rural Integrated Training Experience) is a unique program that promotes and emphasizes rural healthcare to medical students in their third year of medical education. The WRITE program is currently allotted 40 slots for students throughout WWAMI, and is intimately linked to the Targeted Rural Underserved Track (TRUST) program.

WRITE initiated some changes beginning in the 2023-24 Academic Year. Students spend 2 academic quarters at their WRITE site (24 weeks at sites with an OB/GYN clerkship and 21 weeks for those without). The students are also assessed a single clerkship grade for WRITE (MEDLIC) for each quarter, so no more evaluations for each individual clerkship.

WRITE utilizes competency-based assessments, using Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs) as a guide. Ultimately, we are confident using competency-based EPA assessments is more objective and simplifies the evaluation process. By the end of the WRITE experience, the students are very knowledgeable about the practice of medicine in a rural environment.

Wyoming's WRITE/TRUST Sites are located in Powell, Douglas, Fremont County, and Thermopolis. These communities have dedicated physicians and other healthcare professionals who are committed to training future rural primary care physicians.



Wyoming Rural Clinical Experience

This clinical program for all third-year WWAMI students brings them to Wyoming when they do their third-year clinical rotations. This program is available for up to six students per year. Students may come from any of the WWAMI states, and they qualify for the program if they do five or more of their six required third-year clerkships in Wyoming. The Wyoming Regional Clinical Dean's Office makes final selection, and students participating in the program receive preference for their required clerkships. This program will promote the practice of medicine in rural Wyoming and increase the number of physicians in our state.

Participants for 2025-2026
Tatiana Smith ~ Casper



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