



SEDLEY AND PEARL STANFORD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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A few things about me:

I am a Utah native, born and raised in Kearns. I chose Utah State University after having a fateful encounter with the fabled “Aggie Ice-cream” at a USU recruiting event and have been an avid aggie ever since. I initially went to school for Accounting but found that it didn’t fulfill my expectations of higher education. Upon entering USU in 2011 I made a leap of faith and switched majors to Biology. Ever since 2011, I have been studying biology with a cellular/molecular emphasis. Thanks to the assistance of many kind and generous mentors I have found opportunities to extend my knowledge of science by starting work in internships and committing to research. This past summer I was an extension intern working on a project where I surveyed for the presence of Lyme disease *Borrelia* in local western black-legged tick (*Ixodes scapularis*) populations with Drs. Ricardo Ramirez, Scott Bernhardt, and Ryan Davis. I currently work in Dr. Leo Chen’s laboratory and am studying how to use bacteriophages in therapeutic treatment and as a diagnostic tool for cancer. I have vehement feelings towards student groups and clubs and have participated in various clubs over the course of my college experience. I’m involved in the Latino Student Union, USU-Pre Med Club, USU SACNAS, USU Chemistry Club, and Society of Physics Students. I greatly admire those that put in their time to help students form, and run, these great groups.

