Erin Boland Class of 2008 Ephrata Alumni Association Noted Alumni Women's Project





Erin Boland, who graduated from Ephrata High School with honors in 2008, attended Ephrata Schools kindergarten thru 12.

Erin enjoyed all of the opportunities that school had to offer her including all academics and serving as the Associated Student Body Treasurer.

Erin belonged to Future Business Leaders of America, was a member of the trap shooting team, and attended shop classes.

As a member of the Tiger Track & Field team Erin was successful in achieving participation in the Washington State Track Meet. She was a four-time state participant in the pole vault competition. She finished in second place during her senior year.

Serving the community was important to Erin. She initiated a shoe drive, eventually bringing in over 700 pairs of shoes that were donated to various service organizations around the world. Erin worked at Ephrata's Splashzone first as a pool aide and later as the facility manager.

After graduating from high school, Erin...

...attended Washington State University at Pullman, WA. Erin fell in love with the study of anatomy and worked toward becoming a teaching assistant for the course. She was an active member of Alpha Epsilon Delta and served as president of the American Medical Student Association.

...was given the opportunity to work in bench top research studying miscarriages and immune responses to pregnancy in labs and was the lead author on a publication about a novel therapy for breast cancer and presented the findings in Philadelphia, PA at a Biophysical Society's annual conference.

...traveled four times to Guatemala on medical missions with Hearts in Motion to assist in cleft palate surgeries and other assigned duties.

...worked at the Pullman Aquatic Center teaching swimming and water safety to countless students, young and old. Erin stayed fit by joining the lightweight rowing team for a season.

...graduated from Washington State University earning a B.S. in Zoology in May 2012 cum laude. Continued her education in New Orleans, LA at Tulane University School of Medicine with an interest in teaching anatomy. She volunteered at Ochsner Medical Center in the Neonatal unit where she saw the diseases she was studying in the classroom. This sparked an interest in becoming a doctor for these tiny humans. Erin graduated from Tulane; earned a M.S. in Anatomy in May 2014 and was awarded best overall performance in her class.

...completed research at WSU-Spokane and did volunteer work. Then, decided to continue her education at the University of Washington School of Medicine. She is one of 9 TRUST (Targeted Rural and Underserved Track) students in Washington preparing for a practice with an emphasis in rural medicine. This unique program gives Erin extended rotations studying pediatrics, surgery, psychiatry, some emergency medicine, labor and delivery, as well as, internal medicine at various locations in the state.

...plans to apply to family medicine or OBGYN residencies in fall of 2020. Erin will graduate from University of Washington in May of 2021.

Erin Boland - Class of 2008

Erin Boland was born in Ephrata at Columbia Basin Hospital in 1989 to Mike and Megan Boland. She has an older sister BriAnna Goll who is married with two children. Erin attended Ephrata Schools from Kindergarten to grade 12.

At Ephrata High School Erin was active in FBLA, served as the ASB treasurer, and was a four-time state participant in track and field - pole vault finishing second her senior year. She enjoyed all of the opportunities that EHS had to offer including the trap shooting team, shop classes, and all academics. She has always believed in serving her community. Erin initiated a shoe drive eventually bringing in over 700 pairs of shoes that were donated to various service organizations around the world. Erin worked at Splashzone first as a pool aide and later as the facility manager. She graduated with honors in June 2008.

Erin traveled to Pullman, WA to attend Washington State University. She fell in love with the study of anatomy and worked toward becoming a teaching assistant for the course. She worked at Pullman Aquatic Center teaching swimming and water safety to countless young and old and stayed fit by joining the lightweight rowing team for a season. Her community service continued with Hearts in Motion (HIM), travelling four times to Guatemala on medical missions to assist in cleft palate surgeries and other duties as assigned. Leadership is also important to Erin, she was an active member of Alpha Epsilon Delta and the American Medical Student Association, where she served as the president of the latter organization.

She also was given the opportunities to work in bench top research at Washington State University. The labs were studying miscarriages and immune responses to pregnancy. She was a lead author on a publication about a novel therapy for breast cancer and presented the findings in Philadelphia at a Biophysical Society's annual conference. She graduated from WSU earning a B.S. in Zoology in May 2012 cum laude.

New Orleans, LA was her next destination and Tulane University School of Medicine. She was considering a career in teaching anatomy. Erin volunteered at Ochsner Medical Center in the Neonatal unit where she saw the diseases she was studying in the classroom. This sparked her interest in becoming a doctor for these tiny humans. She also coached pole vaulting at University of New Orleans. Erin earned a M.S. in Anatomy in May 2014 and was awarded best overall performance in her class.

After a few more years of research at WSU-Spokane, becoming a paraeducator for Ephrata Schools and volunteering for hospice patients in Soap Lake and volunteering at the Vanessa Behan Nursery she decided to apply to medical School. Erin now attends the University of Washington School of Medicine. She is one of 9 TRUST (Targeted Rural and Underserved Track) students in Washington preparing for a practice with an emphasis in rural medicine. This unique program gives Erin extended rotations at Grand Coulee Medical Center under Dr. Andrew Castrodale. She has also had great rotations in pediatrics at Seattle Children's Hospital; surgery, psychiatry, and some exposure to emergency medicine at Harborview Medical Center. Erin has also spent time in rotations in Spokane at Holy Family Medical Center (Labor and Delivery) and Sacred Heart Medical Center (Internal Medicine).

Erin will graduate in May 2021. Erin plans to apply to family medicine or OBGYN residencies in the fall of 2020. She will graduate in May of 2021 and then be picked to attend a program somewhere in the United States.







Ephrata High School June 2008

Washington State University Graduated May 2012 - Cum Laude B.S. Zoology

White Coat Ceremony - 2017



Hearts in Motion

Medical Mission trips to Guatemala



University of Washington School of Medicine Class of 2021



Erin's fiancé Bryon



The puppy: Jack