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The transition from undergraduate to PA school was seamless thanks to the great pre-medical education I received at Lawrence. I was able to complete all of my pre-PA coursework as well as study abroad in Spain, play for the women's volleyball team, participate in a sorority, and be a part of groups like Viva and GlobeMed. The Spanish language and cultural humility I learned while abroad and through being a part of Viva has been immensely helpful in my study of medicine and my ability to interact with a more diverse patient population. As a member of the women's volleyball team, I built my knowledge of working as a team player and learned to focus on a common goal. This focus has allowed me to meld into each new clinical rotation on different healthcare teams quickly and with team goals in mind. I also held leadership positions in volleyball, Theta, Viva, and GlobeMed; these positions have given me the confidence and skills to serve as the lead TA for our graduate program's anatomy lab.

While at Lawrence I was lucky enough to have a great pre-PA advisor. Though I had decided later in my LU career that I would apply to PA school, he helped me complete the necessary classes in time for graduation. I'm currently an internal medicine hospitalist in the Twin Cities area; I couldn't be more excited for what the future holds!

