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TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER™

AUSTIN DUERSCH

School of Medicine

BECAUSE YOU *gave...*

While I'm now set on Family Medicine, for years I thought I'd become a General Surgeon. Both my pre-medical school mentors worked in this field, and I felt like it matched my personality until I had a reflective and challenging time before starting medical school. During this time I realized that my motivation for medicine centered around relationships with individuals, including the longevity of those relationships and caring for an individual holistically. I felt like Family Medicine aligned with my desire to serve and have since become convinced of it as I've continued to learn!

WITH **YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity! This scholarship is allowing me to pursue my passion in Family and Community Medicine without worrying about a stressful debt load or being able to make sure my family has their needs met. The ability to meet my needs through your selflessness has afforded me the chance to give everything I have to my studies, ensuring I can provide the best service possible to future patients.

WHY I CHOSE *ttuhsc...*

As an out-of-state resident, TTUHSC and Lubbock were once foreign to my family but have become home. We love people, community, and of course, Texas Tech athletics! When I'm not cheering on Tech, I've really enjoyed being a part of the "Open Door Lubbock" clinic held once a week for the homeless population of Lubbock. Seeing how generous others have been with our family motivates me to try and do the same for others. I hope that as a Family Physician, I can eventually care for the whole community wherever I end up.