



2016 Kenan Rural Scholars

**Anna McKinsey** grew up in East Tennessee and Western North Carolina. After living in Connecticut and Louisiana for school and work, she is thrilled to be coming back home to the beautiful Appalachian Mountains. Anna is committed to working in a primary care setting and expanding healthcare access in rural areas of Western North Carolina. She is excited to build long-term relationships with patients and learn more about working with communities to establish a holistic medical practice.

**Margo Faulk** is from Oregon, where her mother practices family medicine. She studied Geography and Public Health at Macalester College and became interested in helping address health disparities facing rural populations through her work and studies. After college, she spent a year teaching nutrition and gardening in New Mexico and a year helping patients navigate Medicaid in Wisconsin. Margo is pursuing a career in family medicine and hopes to practice primary care while addressing community health issues in a rural practice in the mountains of North Carolina.

**Leeallie Carter** is from Ava, Missouri. She used her filmmaking degree to provide media for humanitarian projects throughout the Caribbean before working in disaster response and water rights in Haiti. There she decided to pursue family medicine with the goal of connecting rural, disenfranchised, and indigenous communities with healthcare resources designed for cultural empowerment and sovereignty.

**Sam Stinson** is from Winston Salem. His family operates a farm in Mooresville, North Carolina. Sam identifies with rural farming communities and hopes to learn more farming techniques in order to practice as a family medicine doctor on or near his family's farm.

**Paul Clayton** has lived in 4 countries and 15 states. He came to North Carolina to care for his mother and plans to settle here with his wife and newborn son. His interests include Health Economics, rural barriers to health, and holistic medicine. He hopes to establish a primary care practice in the mountains of western North Carolina from which he can serve the community and pursue global health interests.

**Laura Paschall** is from Gastonia, North Carolina. She entered medical school with an interest in Family Medicine, and has developed a strong interest in Obstetrics/Gynecology during her first year studies. Laura completed her undergraduate studies in biology at UNC-Chapel Hill, followed by a year of post-graduate study at NC State. Laura's passions for women's health and grassroots medicine were developed during her work with Gaston County Health and Human Services. She has done medical work in Bolivia and Haiti, and hopes to continue integrating global medicine into her career. Laura looks forward to the doctor-patient relationships made possible by small town medicine and is excited to learn how to best serve the people of her home state.

**Jeb Fox** is from the rural community of Bethel outside of Boone, North Carolina. His mother, father and all preceding generations of his family have always lived in these two communities, and he hopes to one-day serve these areas through a career in primary medical care. Jeb recognizes the incredible opportunities within the UNC SOM and the Kenan Rural Scholars Program and he wants to use these resources as a way to establish high quality health care services for rural communities primarily in Western North Carolina.