



*Emily Miller
Willamette University
2014 Dick Van Santen Award*

Emily Miller was awarded the ACS Portland Section Scholarship in 2014 during her junior year at Willamette University. She was also awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Willamette University to undertake a year-long intensive senior thesis project, which she completed in an organic chemistry laboratory run by Dr. Andrew Duncan. Her thesis work involved synthesizing polysaccharide-antioxidant conjugates with the goal of producing therapeutic drugs capable of targeted delivery to tissue once in vivo.

She graduated from Willamette University with a BA in Chemistry (Biochemistry Track) magna cum laude and as a member of Phi Beta Kappa in the spring of 2015. Emily began medical school at the David Geffen School of Medicine at University of California, Los Angeles a few months later, in August 2015. During her time in medical school, Emily became involved in clinical research and medical education research, and has been a co-author on multiple publications for these projects.

Emily became a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honor Medical Society in the summer of 2018. She is graduating medical school in May 2019, and will start residency in pediatrics in June 2019. She will also be getting married this May, shortly before medical school graduation. Emily is currently planning to pursue subspecialty training in pediatric hematology/oncology after residency, as this will allow her to become a physician-scientist with involvement in both clinical care and research during her career.