

William Hallas

Graduation Year: Senior

College: Science

Major(s): Biochemistry

Minors(s): N/A

Scholar Group Membership: No

Did you received other funding for this project?: College of Science

Could you have completed this project without CUSE funding? No

Project Title: EGFR regulates the expression and activity of ARID3B through phosphoinositide 3-kinase

Project Location: Philadelphia, PA

ND Faculty Mentor: Dr. Karen Cowden Dahl

Project Type: Conference - Presentation

Why did you undertake this project/experience? Deepen your knowledge of a topic or issue, Career discernment and/or preparation

Did your funded experience help you:

[Deepen your understanding of your coursework or field of study]: Yes

[Discern your interests and post-bac goals]: A Little

[Become confident in your ability to set and achieve your goals]: Very Much

[Gain a more nuanced view of local, national, or global communities]: A Little

[Improve your written and verbal communications skills]:Very Much

Tell us about your experience.

I attended the American Association for Cancer Research Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. While at the conference I was able to attend many different talks given by some of the leading researchers in the field of cancer research. These talks were both extremely interesting and informative. I learned what is on the cutting edge of cancer research and treatment of patients with cancer. As an aspiring physician, it was really cool to get to see both sides of cancer. I also presented the research that I conducted over the past year while at the conference. By talking about my research to other people working in the field, I was able to more fully understand my own project and learn things about it by discussing my experiments with them. This was an experience that is completely invaluable for me as a growing researcher. I am so grateful for the opportunity to present. My presentation skills also vastly improved from this experience. That is one area I have been looking to improve upon, so this experience gave me everything that I wanted.

Describe the impact this project had, both on you as a student-scholar and on the people you worked with.

This project had a very large positive impact on both myself and the people in my lab that I work with. As described above, I was able to learn more about my own project, cancer research,

