



## Siana Sewell

Cell and Molecular Biology

Siana Sewell is a senior majoring in cell and molecular biology at West Chester University in the pre-medical program.

She dreams of attending medical school and serving underprivileged communities in West Philadelphia.

To prepare for medical school, Sewell gets hands-on STEM experience through WCU's Center for STEM Inclusion. The center increases access to STEM careers for all students by linking experts from more than 20 school districts, higher education, industry, government, and non-profits to encourage students to consider STEM jobs.

Sewell has conducted research thanks to the NSF-funded Scholarships in STEM (S-STEM) program supported by the center.

"I was able to complete two research internships back-to-back in two years with two different WCU professors," Sewell said.

"Because of my research internships, I'll be able to conduct research at any hospital."

By assisting students like Sewell in clearly identifying the next step toward a STEM career, the center is creating more opportunities for aspiring students and helping to build a stronger STEM workforce for Pennsylvania.



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