

Haley is currently a Post-Bacc Pre-Veterinary student at the University of Pennsylvania. She graduated with her Master's degree from UPenn in May of 2021, where she conducted research at Penn Vet in the Molecular Biology Laboratory part of the Pennsylvania Animal Diagnostics Laboratory System at the New Bolton Center. Her research included the validation of a SARS-CoV-2 PCR assay to be used as a diagnostic test to test for the virus in bats, that was used to test bats in rehab facilities and zoos throughout the U.S. Her research also included surveying the bat samples for all coronaviruses, to explore what is circulating in bats in the Northeastern U.S. She is interested in vertebrate and invertebrate biology, ecology, species interaction and zoonotic disease. Outside of academics she is a volunteer at Faithful Friends Animal Society shelter clinic, and Penn Medicine's vaccination clinics promoting vaccine equity and serving the community of West Philadelphia. She also enjoys spending time with her rescue puppy, Aspen. Her future plans are to continue her research and become a veterinarian.