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How I Got Into Histology

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For as long as I can remember I wanted to be a doctor. However, after volunteering at hospitals I realized, it wasn't my true calling. After graduating from college, I had no idea what I really wanted to do- with a Bachelors in zoology, going to graduate school seemed to be my only option. I still had the desire to help people and a passion for science.



The first job I had post-graduation was in a busy hospital laboratory receiving specimens and preparing them for testing. It was during this time that I began investigating. "Where do all these chunks of tissue go?" "What do they do with this tissue?" I began visiting the histology lab during my lunch breaks and found a tech that was willing to answer all my questions. I remember being captivated by the histology sections in every anatomy class I had ever taken, but had no idea it was a career field on its own!

Returning to school for a histology program wasn't really an option, so it took a couple years before I was hired on in a pathology lab. I cannot thank them enough for taking a chance on me. I have just received my HT (ASCP) and am ecstatic to see where my career takes me next. The field of histology serves my aspiration of helping people while incorporating my love of biology and chemistry.