

ORIENTATION CO-CHAIRS

Lauren Sheu



Pritzker takes Toronto!



Morton Arboretum!

Hi everyone!!

I'm Lauren (MS1), one of your Orientation Co-Chairs along with Moon! We're so thrilled to be welcoming you to Pritzker in just a few short months, and we hope you're able to rest and recover this summer (you've earned it!) before diving into your medical training. You're going to do great things at Pritzker and know that everyone—us Co-Chairs, upperclassmen, admin, everyone!—is in your corner.

A little about me: I'm originally from the Bay Area, California, and completed my undergraduate years at Duke University, where I majored in Cell & Molecular Biology. I came to Pritzker with a strong interest in translational cancer immunology research, so I'm considering specializing in hematology/oncology through a PSTP (combined residency/fellowship program that emphasizes research). Apart from further pursuing my research interests through working in a lab, I've found great joy and satisfaction through my role as Co-Director of the Bridgeport Free Clinic (BFC), working with a wonderful group of Pritzker students and serving the uninsured/disadvantaged populations in the Chinatown area. In my free time, which you'll have plenty of at Pritzker, I've explored different Chicago neighborhoods, re-ignited my love for any and all racket sports, and have had many late nights enjoying movie and wine nights with my beloved classmates. To tie in our theme, **Pritzker-Palooza**—I'm a prolific Spotify playlist creator (600 and counting!), and I'm currently loving all of Mina Okabe's discography. Ask me in a few weeks, and I'll probably tell you about someone new (always on the hunt for new music!).

Please reach out! So, so excited to meet you all in the near future.

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Hi Everyone! My name is Moon, I'm a rising M2 and I'm one of your Orientation Co-Chairs this year! I'm so excited to get to know all of you and plan an orientation to warmly welcome you to the Pritzker community!

I grew up in Connecticut in the suburbs of Hartford. Growing up as an only child, I'm very close to my parents as well as my parents' favorite child: our dog, Euclid. I went to Vanderbilt University for undergraduate degree where I double majored in Neuroscience and Medicine, Health and Society. Before starting medical school, I spent a year as a clinical researcher at the Bone & Joint Institute in Connecticut and volunteered at a Covid vaccination clinic. I also spent a lot of time with my family, childhood friends and enjoyed eating as many home cooked meals as possible because now I'm tragically on my own.

At Pritzker, I'm one of the leaders of the Ophthalmology Interest Group as well as the Neurosurgery Interest Group. So, I'm happy to talk with you about choosing between specialties if you're unsure. I'm also one of the Quality Improvement co-chairs at the Community Health clinic which has been a very rewarding experience that allowed me to identify areas for improvement and then propose and implement changes accordingly. I'm also the Treasurer for the South Asian Medical Association where I have had lots of fun organizing cultural events and even writing a skit that we performed at the Diwali celebration. I had the opportunity to serve as a mentor for high school students interested in medicine through the HPREP program. I also serve as one of the society leaders for Rowley, organizing events for students to socialize, make friends and enjoy good food!

I'm grateful to be able to live in and explore different parts of the country and so far, I have loved living in Chicago. In fact, I'm super excited to start off the famous Chicago summer by attending the Taylor Swift Eras tour! I love spending time with my wonderful friends, walking by Lake Michigan and catching up on my favorite TV shows. My interests include the French Revolution (we went to Europe over spring break and I geeked out), John Grisham novels, and all you can eat sushi. **Musical fun fact:** My first concert was The Lumineers, who I've seen twice, once in Connecticut and once in Nashville.



Please reach out if you need anything!

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