



FELLOW PROFILE

Fellow's Name: Naomi Randell

Fellow's Partner Organization: OMNI Institute

What are your main responsibilities as a PIFP fellow?

I am a research assistant, so I do anything from doing the intake on surveys we collect, data entry, cleaning data, helping the researchers prep reports, or doing literature reviews for upcoming research.

What's the most interesting thing you've learned in your fellowship so far?

I've enjoyed learning the whole process of how a piece of research on social science goes from an idea in a researcher's head, to an entire program with funding, with surveys, community partners to administer the surveys, teams to collect them and analyze data, that eventually leads to policy recommendations.

Why did you want to become a PIFP Fellow?

I wanted to work with my community, while still being able to learn and work towards my goals. PIFP fellowships allow you to cultivate critical skills, make a real impact on the community, and all the while, you get the support of great mentors.

What activities outside of your work do you enjoy?

I really have been enjoying reading for pleasure. In college I read 50-100 pages of academic pieces a night; it's been fun just to read whatever I want, whenever I want.

What is something most people would be surprised to know about you?

People are usually surprised to learn that I am from Idaho, that I'm vegan, and that I have four other siblings.