# **Caitlyn Grubbs**

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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health geography, Healthcare access, Landscape of healthcare, Healthcare delivery, Geographic information systems

#### **EDUCATION**

### **Higher Education**

2021 – Present **Ph.D.**, Geography, University of Iowa

Thesis: Changing Spatiotemporal Patterns of Health Care Access Among Rural

Residents of Iowa

2019 – 2021 **MPH,** Population Health Research, Case Western Reserve University

Thesis: Geospatial Analysis of Low Acuity High-Utilization Patients of

University Hospitals Emergency Departments in Ohio

2012 – 2016 **BA,** Theology, Creighton University

#### **Honors and Awards**

2021 – Present Lulu Merle Johnson Fellowship, University of Iowa

#### RESEARCH

#### **Publication**

Chen, A., **Grubbs**, C. S., Zafar, F. S., Loeffler, B. T., Mott, S. L., Carrel, M., & Powers, J. G. (2023). Association of Patient Proximity to Dermatologic Care With Melanoma Stage at Diagnosis and Outcome. JAMA network open, 6(1), e2252698. doi.org/10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2022.52698

#### **Previous Research Experience**

| 2021 | Geospatial | Analysis of Low A | Acuity High-Utilization | n Patients of University . | Hospitals Emergency |
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Departments in Ohio

Department of Population and Quantitative Health Sciences, Case Western Reserve University

Advisor: Jacqueline Curtis, PhD

2021 Four Dimensions of Exclusion from Geographic Analysis of Women who Seek Obstetric and

Gynecological Care at the Emergency Department

Department of Population and Quantitative Health Sciences, Case Western Reserve University

Mentor: Jacqueline Curtis, PhD

2020-2021 Analysis of the prevalence of non-hepatic conditions among those persons diagnosed with HCV

utilizing SAS

Department of Population and Quantitative Health Sciences, Case Western Reserve University

Mentor: Siran Koroukian, PhD

## **Professional and Academic Positions**

| 2022 – Present | <b>Teaching Assistant</b> , Contemporary Environmental Issues, Department of Geographical & Sustainability Sciences, University of Iowa |
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| 2021 – 2023    | <b>Graduate Research Assistant</b> , Department of Geographical & Sustainability Sciences, University of Iowa                           |
| 2020 – 2021    | <b>Graduate Research Assistant</b> , Geographic Information Systems Lab, Case Western Reserve University                                |
| 2020           | <b>Graduate Teaching Assistant</b> , History and Philosophy of Public Health, Case Western Reserve University                           |
| 2018 – 2019    | Chronic Liver Disease Management AmeriCorps VISTA, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, Liver Disease and Hepatitis Program          |

# **Invited Guest Speaker**

Guest Speaker, Development in a Global Context 1: Preparing for an Internship in Health, Gender and Environment, University of Iowa 2023

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