



Amanda Howarth joined ASCO's team in late February. Amanda is a senior at The George Washington University majoring in public health and biology. With graduation quickly approaching, Amanda hoped to gain experience working in a non-profit organization and learn what makes a non-profit run successfully. Passionate about public health, Amanda understands the importance of good eye health and is interested in helping ASCO promote the optometric profession.

Amanda is originally from Freehold, New Jersey, although she lives in Washington, D.C. while she attends school at GW. Amanda also studied at King's College London for one semester during her junior year. Her hobbies include enjoying all the events, food and activities that DC has to offer.

Amanda's past experiences include interning for Truth Initiative, where she communicated with college student representatives from more than 40 Historically Black Colleges and Universities to help them in their efforts toward achieving tobacco-free campus policies. She has also interned for her county's Mosquito Control Unit and was a DC Health Leads Advocate at Children's National Medical Center, connecting low-income families with resources they need to stay healthy.

Amanda hopes to pursue a career in public health, specifically in planning public health promotion and prevention programs. She also hopes that she can take the skills that she obtains from ASCO and carry them with her into her future workplace. Amanda is looking forward to learning more about the profession of optometry as well as learn more about ASCO's communication strategies and program planning processes. She is happy with her experience so far and is excited to see what ASCO has in store for her.