

*Stanford MS in Human Genetics and
Genetic Counseling
Class of 2011*



Myla Ashfaq

Myla Ashfaq is from Pakistan. She received her undergraduate degree in Genetics from Ohio Wesleyan University in 2005. After graduation, she spent a year working in a molecular oncology laboratory at Washington University in St. Louis. In the past several years, she returned to Pakistan and has been teaching high school biology and, most recently, coordinating the social support for patients with multiple-drug resistant TB.



Reana Carr

Reana Carr is from Arizona. She received her degree in Biology from Cornell in 2007, and since that time she has been working as a family support specialist for foster children placed with Child Protective Services. She has additional experience service as a peer counselor while at Cornell and has observed in prenatal and adult genetic counseling setting



Kyla Dunn

Kyla Dunn received her undergraduate degree in Psychobiology from Yale in 1993, where she also volunteered as a rape crisis counselor for several years. After working in the biotech industry and taking additional coursework in neuroscience at UCSF, Kyla turned her focus to science journalism (both print and television), where she has spent her time for the past 10+ years. Her pieces have been featured on PBS Frontline, NOVA Science NOW, CBS News and in the Atlantic Monthly.



Sarah Garcia

Sarah Garcia is from Southern California. She received her undergraduate degree in Molecular Genetics from UCLA in 2003 and is completing her PhD in Genetics at Stanford with expected completion in 2009. She has experience as a genetics teaching assistant and currently serves as a peer counselor at The Bridge. She is particularly interested in the area of community outreach.



Lili Kuzmich

Lili Kuzmich is originally from Iran. She received her bachelor degree in Biology from Kansas State University in 1997 and a masters degree in Plant Pathology in 2000. She has served as a volunteer domestic violence counselor at the Asian Women's Shelter in San Francisco, and for the past 5 years she has worked in a laboratory setting, including as a laboratory manager, at UCSF.



Stephanie Sottile

Stephanie Sottile is from Michigan and graduated from Bucknell in 2008 with a degree in Biology. For the past year, she has worked as a research assistant to the Neurogenetics Program at Wayne State, participating in various clinical research projects and observing genetic counseling. She has also volunteered for Gilda's club and at a women's shelter and served as a teaching assistant and tutor for various math and science courses.



Kim VandeWydeven

Kim VandeWydeven is from Southern California and will graduate from UCSD in 2009 with a degree in Biology and Psychology. She has observed prenatal genetic counseling, served in several campus leadership positions and been a teaching assistant for both Genetics and a human reproduction and development course.