

From French to Family Medicine

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LOCATION:

Main Library ILC Room 112

TIME:

2:00pm-3:30pm Light refreshments will be served after the talk.



Studying French at the UA, Dr. Rachel Stringer (BA French and Women's Studies) learned more than just a language - she learned a new way of viewing the world. After earning her degree, Stringer went to **med school and residency in Family Medicine**. Asking questions, listening, and taking the cultural context into account can be as important as labs to find the right diagnostic and treatment plan.



Come learn how her background in the Humanities has been helping her in her trajectory. "My education in the Humanities helped me hone interpersonal and critical thinking skills that I use daily in my role as medical director of our clinic and emergency services" she says. "Studying other cultures and languages strengthened my ability to **empathize, understand, and communicate with my patients and develop effective therapeutic relationships.**"

Department of French & Italian 2023 Achievement Award **Rachel Stringer, MD** Family Physician, United States Air Force

Dr. Rachel Stringer is a Family Medicine physician in the United States Air Force. She attended medical school at the UA before completing her residency in Family Medicine at Offutt Air Force Base. She is currently stationed in Alaska, where she serves as medical director for the Family Health Clinic and Ambulance Services in addition to providing care for military beneficiaries. She recently participated in a multinational humanitarian exercise in Mongolia building capacity for disaster relief while providing healthcare to the local population.