

A portrait of Dr. Miranda Wan, a woman with long, wavy brown hair, wearing a white short-sleeved top, smiling. The photo is framed with a white border.

DR. MIRANDA WAN

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What attracted you to medicine?

Medicine is a unique field of art and science that provides innumerable opportunities to help others, which combined my personal and academic interests. It's definitely a privilege and a gift to be able to care for others during their most vulnerable times.

What attracted you to your specialty?

Even though neurology is classified as a subspecialty field, it's incredibly diverse and focuses on the fundamental organ system that makes up our personality, creates memories and controls how we experience and interact with the world. Diagnosing and managing these conditions for our patients is incredibly rewarding. I also have to give a shout out to the elegant physical exam!

What do you find the most rewarding in your residency training?

Building therapeutic relationships with patients while training with the best colleagues and staff. Some days and nights can be challenging but remembering that you've made a difference is rewarding.

What do you find the most challenging in your residency training?

Medicine is a complex and rapidly evolving field - "the more I learn, the more I realize how much I don't know". It really makes me appreciate all of our colleagues in health care.

What energizes you outside of residency?

A good friend once told me everyone needs three hobbies they love- one to keep you in shape, one to support yourself and one to be creative. This year, I've worked with sculptured mixed media plaster, made many Milk Bar cakes, hiked some mountains and completed a couple of half marathons (but still trying to discover the love behind it).