

# Success Stories in STEM:

# S P A C E

Lauren Church

STEM Outreach / Scientist

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THE  
MARS  
GENERATION

## Lauren Church

### **Achievement:**

Researcher of space medicine

Lauren was only in preschool when she decided what to do with her life. She told people she was going to be both a doctor and an astronaut. She applied for medical school and realized that her dream could come true!

Lauren is working on a career in space medicine. It is about health care in space. It is also about how to apply this to health care on Earth. Her degree is in space physiology. Her Master of Science degree lets her do advanced medical research. She is learning what astronauts can and cannot do in space. Her experiments have been tested at the International Space Station.

Lauren's advice to students is to believe in yourself. Don't let people who think you cannot do it because of your age, gender, or race stop you. Be determined to make positive change in the world. If so, you are already doing STEM!

Million STEM. n.d. "Lauren Elizabeth Church."  
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