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Name: Natalie Walker

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How long have you been at FRES?

2 years

Job title (and brief description of what you do at FRES):

Sustainability Manager – Supports with strategic planning for Penn’s Climate and Sustainability Action Plan (CSAP) by collaborating with students, faculty, and staff.

Have you or any family members attended Penn for classes or a degree?

I am currently pursuing a Master of Behavioral and Decision Sciences degree.

What led you to this career?

I was drawn to sustainability by the desire to find solutions for the world’s most pressing problems that are rooted in balancing social, environmental, and economic prosperity. As Penn is such a large anchor institution in the City of Philadelphia, I am thrilled to work on projects that have a great impact in our community.

What three words best describe yourself: Driven, positive, and curious

What talent or power would you most like to have?

I would love to be able to teleport so that I can be anywhere at any time without carbon emissions!

What are your favorite things to do in your free time, outside of work?

I like to stay active in the outdoors. Some of my favorite activities are rock climbing, mountain biking, and gardening.

What positive takeaway do you have from the unprecedented past year?

I have always valued my family and personal relationships, but this past year has deepened my understanding of their importance. It was difficult not to be able to convene freely with close friends and family that live farther away, and I am even more grateful for the time I get to spend with them now.

What characteristic or trait do you most value in your colleagues?

Clear communication and willingness to collaborate .