

VOLCANOLOGIST

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“I think we have a preconceived notion of what the people who do these jobs look like...but having a diversity of people involved actually makes those jobs better.”

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Alexa Van Eaton’s job title means exactly what it sounds like: she studies Volcanoes! As a student, she studied geology and now she investigates how the electricity from lightning bolts can help inform when and how volcanos erupt.

FUN FACT: When you’re climbing volcanoes, it’s not just about brute strength. Alexa’s balance and tenacity comes from her own training in ballet.