As a first year doctoral student in the Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy at Rutgers University, Holly’s research interests focus on the social dimensions of resource consumption and climate change. She is a graduate research assistant in the Department of Human Ecology, working with an interdisciplinary team on a National Science Foundation Innovations at the Nexus of Food, Energy, and Water funded research project that will investigate household consumption and analyze the impacts of interventions supporting conservation. Additionally, she is a Coastal Climate Risk and Resilience Trainee working to bridge communication gaps between scientists, policy makers, and coastal community stakeholders around climate adaptation issues. She received a B.S. from Rutgers in Environmental Policy, Institutions, and Behavior, and shortly after graduating started her professional career as a program coordinator for the Rutgers Arts & Sciences Institutional Review Board.

This summer, Holly will be working on the Stewardship Mapping and Assessment Project (STEW-MAP) in collaboration with the US Forest Service, New York City Urban Field Station.