

GRACE MONGER

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EXPERIENCE

- **LABORATORY TECHNICIAN BAUDOIN PLANT PATHOLOGY LAB, VIRGINIA TECH**
JANUARY 2021– PRESENT
Research centers on biology and control of fungal diseases of grapes, with emphasis on powdery and downy mildew, and Botrytis bunch rot. Also, the epidemiology of boxwood blight. Personal independent research on Verticillium wilt as a control for Tree of Heaven and the impacts on the wine grape industry.
- **GREENHOUSE MANAGER, GREEN MARKET FARMS**
FEB 2019 – JULY 2020
Local nursery & garden that provides the community with fresh produce, fruits, and plants via public farmers markets, wholesale contracts, and a garden center. Project involvement: social media marketing, COVID-19 protocol development, and greenhouse construction.
Responsibilities: sales, contract negotiation, produce and nursery greenhouse management, hiring/firing, pest management and disease identification, and representing the business in professional settings.
- **AGRICULTURE TECHNICIAN, VIRGINIA TECH SOUTHERN PIEDMONT AGRICULTURE RESEARCH AND EXTENSION CENTER (SPAREC)**
MAY 2017 – JULY 2017
A state-run research and extension center focused on tobacco, beef cattle, and industrial hemp. Project involvement: Pesticide/Nematocide testing and Fungal Pathogen research.
Responsibilities: soil sampling, pesticide application, culture transfers, bioassays, field research plot maintenance, and outreach with local farmers.

EDUCATION

- **BS- ENVIRONMENTAL HORTICULTURE, VIRGINIA TECH** DECEMBER 2021
Viticulture and Plant Health Sciences Minors. Pi Alpha Xi Member. Undergraduate Research
- **ASSOCIATE OF ART AND SCIENCE, NEW RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE** DECEMBER 2019
Magna Cum Laude

RELEVANT ACHIEVEMENTS, AWARDS, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA (FFA) Member and Chapter Treasurer, East Rockingham High School. Environmental and Natural Resources CDE 3rd High Individual. Dairy Judging, Soil Judging, Beef Cattle Judging, Meat Judging, Poultry Judging, Public Prepared Speaking, Public Extemporaneous Speaking. Virginia State FFA Degree 2015, American FFA Degree 2017.