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My primary goal is to gain knowledge within horticulture, arboriculture, landscape design, and native species that can be implemented into a native nursery, local community courses, and residential landscape designs.

EDUCATION

CURRENT

Doctor of Philosophy | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Environmental Horticulture | GPA: 3.71

DECEMBER 2021

Master of Science | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Environmental Horticulture | GPA: 3.57

DECEMBER 2018

Bachelor of Science | WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY | Geography | GPA: 3.55

DECEMBER 2018

KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE | Transfer Courses

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

JANUARY 2023 – CURRENT

Landscape Designer | ZAMIA DESIGN | Project Manager and Landscape Designer

AUGUST 2022 – CURRENT

Graduate Assistant in Arboriculture | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Department of Environmental Horticulture

AUGUST 2022 – DECEMBER 2022

Student Assistant in Landscape Design | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Department of Environmental Horticulture

AUGUST 2021 – SEPTEMBER 2022

Graduate Intern | GREEN ISLE GARDENS | Grower, Sales, and Landscape Design

AUGUST 2021 – MAY 2022

Graduate Assistant | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Biosecurity Research and Extension Laboratory

NOVEMBER 2020 – JULY 2021

Office Manager | THE SONDER ACADEMY

OCTOBER 2019 – NOVEMBER 2020

Center Director | SYLVAN LEARNING CENTER

AUGUST 2018 – DECEMBER 2018

Wesustain Intern | WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

JANUARY 2023 – CURRENT

Advanced Landscape Design | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Department of Environmental Horticulture

AUGUST 2022 – CURRENT

Residential Landscape Design | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Department of Environmental Horticulture

JANUARY 2022 – APRIL 2022

Florida Native Landscaping | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Department of Environmental Horticulture

AUGUST 2020 – DECEMBER 2020

Greenhouse And Nursery Crop Culture | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA | Department of Environmental Horticulture

August 2017 – December 2018

Physics: Waves and Optics | WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY | Department of Physics

EXTENTION EXPERIENCE

MARCH 2023

170 Acres Landscape | CONSULTATION

- Provided a complete sustainable landscape plan for a new home located on 170 acres in Green Cove Springs, FL

FEBRUARY 2023

5 Month Landscaping | CONSULTATION

- Providing professional recommendations on the creation of a landscape for a family that lives in Florida only 5 months out of the year

DECEMBER 2022

Pattern Book | CREATIVE WORKS

- Florida-Friendly landscape pattern book used to update community areas and office buildings within the Sun City Center Association

NOVEMBER 2022

Falling Into Natives | PRESENTATION

- A day-long educational program on native plants & their benefits -- Natives in Well Designed Landscapes

SEPTEMBER 2022

Levy County Florida Native Landscaping | CONSULTATION

- Providing professional recommendations on the creation of several Florida-Friendly exhibit gardens for public education

MARCH 2022

Gainesville Florida-Friendly Landscape Design | CREATIVE WORKS

- Creating a mid-century modern landscape using native plants and Florida-Friendly principles

OCTOBER 2021

Gainesville Florida-Friendly Landscape Design | CREATIVE WORKS

- Creating a functional Florida-Friendly landscape for habitat growth, biodiversity, and family needs

CLUB INVOLVEMENT

JANUARY 2021 - CURRENT

Environmental Horticulture Graduate Association | UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

Department of Environmental Horticulture | Greenhouse Manager, Treasurer, & Vice President

AUGUST 2017 – DECEMBER 2018

Geography Club | WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Department of Geography | President

AUGUST 2017 – DECEMBER 2018

Physics Club | WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Department of Physics | Vice-president

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

OCTOBER 2023 | Exchange Student Ambassador

International Plant Propagator Society | COPENHAGEN, DK

OCTOBER 2022 | Student Ambassador

International Plant Propagator Society | ATHENS, GA

OCTOBER 2022 | Student Ambassador

Florida Association of Native Nurseries Wild Meadow Magic | PANAMA CITY, FL

JULY 2022 | Student Ambassador

International Society of Arborists: Florida Chapter | CLEARWATER, FL

OCTOBER 2021 | Student Ambassador

International Plant Propagator Society | MOBILE, AL

JULY 2021 | Study Abroad

Kalamazoo Safari | KILIMANJARO, TANZANIA

JULY 2018 | Study Abroad

Engineering Global Practice | CHENGDU, CHINA

MAY 2017 | Study Abroad

Amazonia: Culture & Environment | MANAUS, BRAZIL

JULY 2015 | Study Abroad

Ambassadors Of Music | ENGLAND, FRANCE, SWITZERLAND, ITALY, AUSTRIA, GERMANY, LUXEMBURG

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATION

- **Young T, Wilson SB, Thetford M, Colee J.** 2022. Cutting propagation of four Florida native taxa of wild coffee (*Psychotria* sp.). *Native Plants Journal* 23(3):288–297.

PRECEEDINGS

- **Young T, Wilson SB, Thetford M.** 2022. Effects of Auxin and Taxa on Rooting Performance of Vegetatively Propagated Wild Coffee (*Psychotria* sp.). *International Plant Propagator Society Southern Region. Graduate student Competition.* Athens, Georgia.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- **Young T**, Wilson SB, Thetford M. 2022. Effects of Auxin and Taxa on Rooting Performance of Vegetatively Propagated Wild Coffee (*Psychotria* sp.). International Plant Propagator Society Southern Region. Graduate Student Competition. Athens, Georgia.
- **Young T**, Wilson SB, Thetford M. 2022. Cutting propagation of four native taxa of wild coffee (*Psychotria* sp.). Center for Landscape Conservation and Ecology, Urban Landscape Summit. Graduate student two-minute lightning round. Gainesville, Florida.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

- **Young T**, Wilson SB, Thetford M. 2022. Effects of Auxin and Taxa on Rooting Performance of Vegetatively Propagated Wild Coffee (*Psychotria* sp.). International Plant Propagator Society Southern Region. Graduate student Competition. Athens, Georgia.
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HONORS AND AWARDS

- Murial Rumsey Scholarship | **Fall 2023**
- NACTA Graduate Student Teaching Award | **Spring 2023**
- Bloom and Grow Garden Society Scholarship | **Fall 2022**
- IPPS Southern Region Student Presentation Competition Award | **Fall 2022**
- Vivian Munday Young Horticulture Professional Scholarship | **Fall 2022**
- Florida Association of Native Nurseries Wild Meadow Magic Student Sponsorship | **Fall 2022**
- ISA: Florida Chapter Student Ambassador | **Summer 2022**
- Urban Landscape Summit Poster Award: Master Division | **Spring 2022**
- Bloom and Grow Garden Society Scholarship | **Fall 2021**
- Vivian Munday Young Horticulture Professional Scholarship | **Fall 2021**
- Western Michigan University Achievement Award | **Summer 2018**
- Dean's List at Western Michigan University | **Fall 2018**
- Western Michigan University Grant | **Fall 2018**
- Dr. Oscar H. Horst Endowment for Geography Award | **Spring 2017**
- Haenicke Institute for Global Education Abroad Scholarship | **Spring 2017**

VOLUNTEERING

- UF Environmental Horticulture Poinsettia Sale | **Fall 2022**
- February Flora and Fauna Fest | **Spring 2022**
- Grace Grows | **Fall 2021**
- UF Native Plant Nursery | **Fall 2021**
- Gibb's house Weekly Volunteering Sessions | **Fall 2018**
- Western Michigan University Mapathon | **November 2018**
- Western Michigan University Bronco Bash | **August 2018**
- National Geography Bee | **March 2018**

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Florida Association of Native Nurseries
- Florida Native Plant Society
- Florida Nursery, Growers, and Landscape Association
- International Plant Propagator Society
- International Society of Arboriculture
- North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture