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## EDUCATION

### ***M.S., Integrated Science & Technology***

Concentration in Environmental Management & Sustainability

James Madison University

Harrisonburg, Virginia

- 3.70 Cumulative GPA

Master's Capstone: *Review of Agricultural Connections to Shenandoah River 2004-2007 Fish Kills*

- 16,800-word systemic analysis of relationships between agricultural practices, ecotoxicological pathways, fish physiology, water quality, and land use planning policy at local and national jurisdictions
- Synthesized data from over 130 sources while meeting self-assigned deadlines

### ***B.S., Biology***

University of Texas at Arlington

Arlington, Texas

Fall 2011-Spring 2015

- 3.625 GPA
- UTA Academic Achievement Award for 2014-2015

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### **AmeriCorps VISTA – Food Recovery Network**

March 2017-Current

*Food Recovery Verified VISTA*

- Use project management techniques to design and implement a first of its kind program for verifying food businesses efforts to recover surplus food
- Automated multiple manual data entry processes in first week
- Communicate with event and dining managers at Fortune 500 companies, national conferences, universities, retirement homes, hospitals, and non-profits
- Develop campaigns with food service sustainability managers and draft weekly reports

### **Certified Development Project Manager**

Oct 2016 – Feb 2017

*Project Management for Development Organizations*

- Fundamentals of Project Management
- Effective Project Management
- Project Design, Monitoring, and Evaluation

### **Greenloons Ecotourism Travel**

Sept 2016 – Feb 2017

*Communications and Marketing Intern*

- Revise social media strategy using best practices to increase brand awareness and engagement, research demographics and potential new markets
- Create photo and video media, develop branding style, publish blog articles
- Communicate with company president weekly by phone to discuss progress

### **Securing Water for Food**

Oct 2016 – Feb 2017

*Innovation Entries Evaluator Intern*

- Review concepts notes from innovators' requests for USAID-funded assistance
- Collaborate with small international team to communicate results of evaluation
- Selected for second round of evaluations as note-taker during award-candidate interviews