After graduating from UNM I spent three years working in the Environmental Planning department at Sandia National Laboratories.



In Fall of 2010, I began at the Yale School of Forestry as a Master of Environmental Management Candidate.

Urban Resources Initiative Greenskills Program

I quickly became interested in environmental education and community conservation. I worked for the Urban Resources Initiative planting street trees with New Haven teens and teaching them urban forestry.







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YALE SUSTAINABLE FOOD PROJECT



I also became involved in the Yale Sustainable Food Project as the Public Schools Coordinator, hosting preschool and K-12 classes on the 1-acre Yale Farm.

In the spring of 2011, I ran a 5 week Seed to Salad Program with 25 volunteers and almost 100 of New Haven's second graders. The children learned about basic plant anatomy, composting, and insects. They planted radish and lettuce seeds and harvested their cultigens for a salad celebration.



Young Farmers' Movement

I researched the young farmers' movement and collected interviews with beginning farmers, such as Dan LeBoeuff of Frost Hill Organics in Cedar Crest, NM.







...and a cohort of young farmers at Hampshire College in Amherst, MA.

Growing Voices

Stories from New Haven's Community Gardens

I spent the summer of 2011 capturing the stories of community gardeners to promote community conservation and document the value of urban gardens to communities as well as the organizations that manage them. Audio recordings of these stories will soon be made available online.





