

Congratulations!

Department of Horticulture

Graduating Class – Spring, 2020 and
Summer, 2020



Spring semester, 2020



We know this wasn't the final semester you were anticipating. But don't let current circumstances diminish your achievements, or dampen your feelings of pride and accomplishment. You've earned your degree, and now it's time to celebrate!



Therefore, and in no particular order, the Iowa State University Department of Horticulture is proud to proclaim the following graduates...Horticulture Cyclones for life.



Raven-Skye Haller

Future plans:

Like many, COVID-19 has altered my plans, but eventually I will be joining the team at Niabi Zoo in Coal Valley, IL





Hannah Garland

Future plans:

Attending graduate school at
Iowa State University in the Department
of Agricultural Education & Studies.





Alice Paulson

Future plans:

Working as an intern running a vegetable production enterprise at the ISU Horticulture Research Station.



Jennifer Cash

Future plans:

After graduation Jennifer will be exploring all of the opportunities the world holds for her before seeking out long-term employment and a long-term career.





Liming Zhou

Future plans:

Attending graduate school in the
Iowa State University Department of
Agronomy.

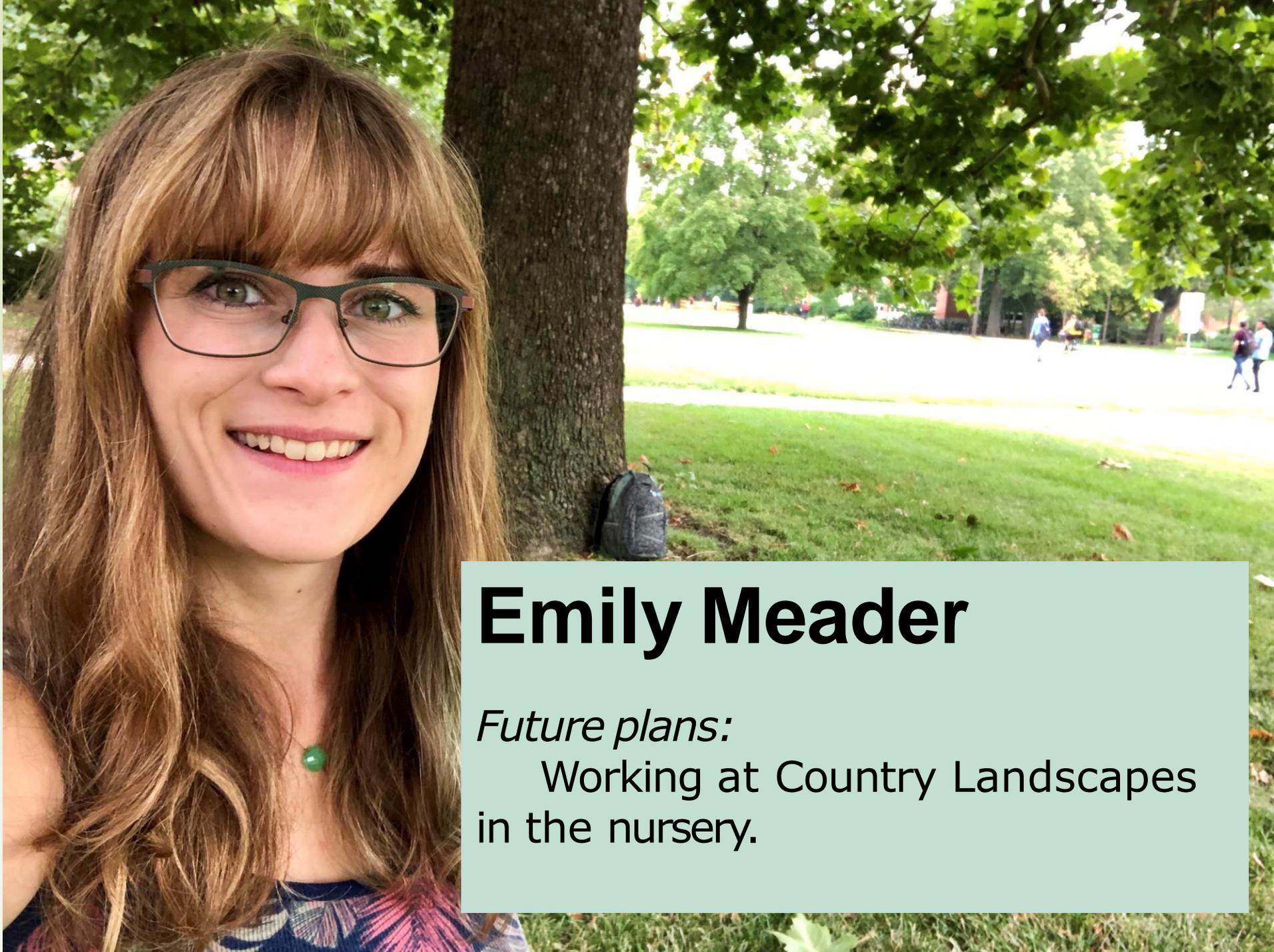


Nuoya Xu

Future plans:

Attending graduate school in the Iowa State University Department of Horticulture.





Emily Meader

Future plans:

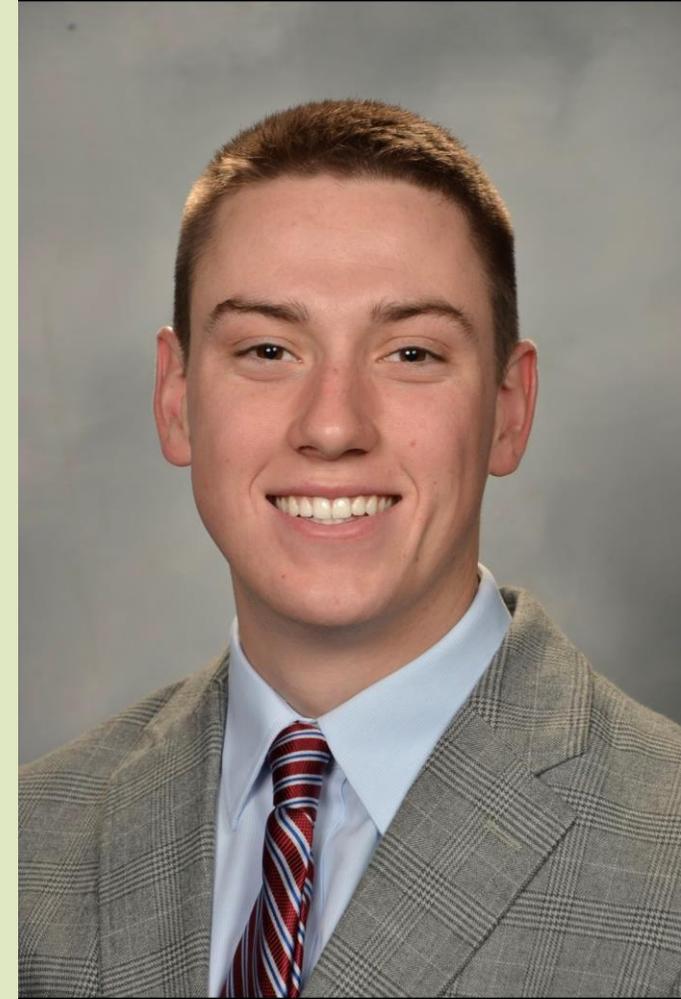
Working at Country Landscapes
in the nursery.



Thomas Gould

Future plans:

Continuing his education at Iowa State University in pursuit of a Master's degree in the Department of Horticulture under Dr. Adam Thoms.



Grant Hughes

Future plans:

Working as a horticulture intern at Chanticleer Gardens (Wayne, PA) this summer and then spending a year as a Royal Horticulture Society Interchange Fellow (United Kingdom).





Hattie Spies

Future plans:

Working at Southern Hills Country
Club (Tulsa, OK).





Kennedy Hill

Future plans:

Moving to the Quad Cities
to work at Total Landscape Service
as designer and crew coordinator.





Chase Higginbotham

Future plans:

Will be seeking a career
in landscape design.



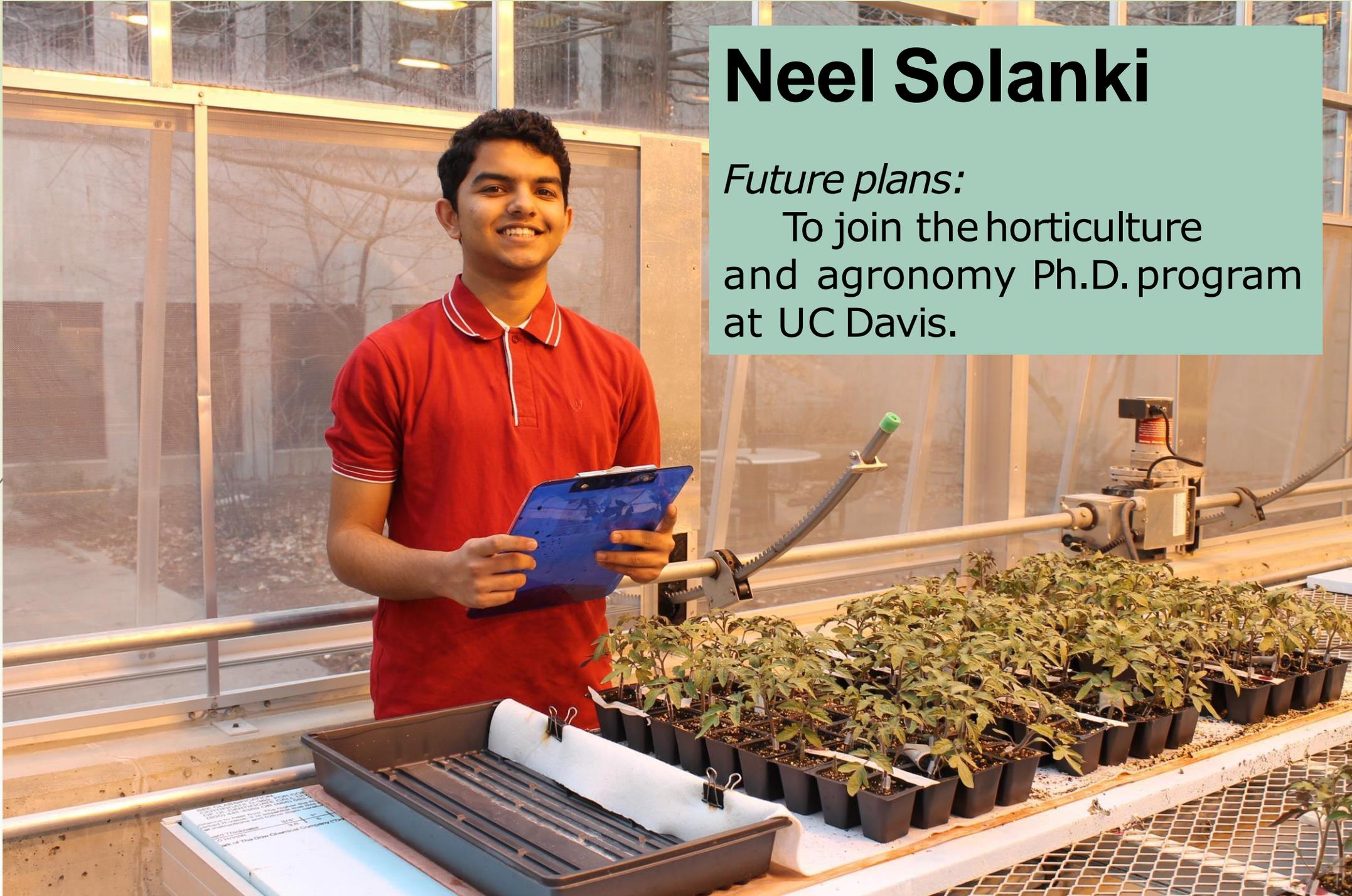


Katie Mechelke

Future plans:

Currently applying to a few places and am hoping to hear back from them soon.





Neel Solanki

Future plans:

To join the horticulture and agronomy Ph.D. program at UC Davis.

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Caroline Doud

Future plans:

Designer at Adina Blooms
in Ankeny, IA.



Jacob Kollasch

Future plans:

Managing his own landscape design/installation company.



Benton Uddenberg

Future plans:

Attempting to avoid COVID-19, pay off student loans, and spend time with the family.





Michael Young

Future plans:

Will continue searching for employment in the turfgrass industry.





Yeqi Zhao

Future plans:

Will pursue a Master's degree in the U.S. before returning to China.



Brenna Rodenburg

Future plans:

Will finish my Horticultural Therapy Certificate and internship so that I can become a Registered Horticultural Therapist.





Justin Wigdahl

Future plans:

Starting at Country Landscapes (Ames, IA) as a design/sales assistant helping designers with their workload of customer service, designing, and general communications.



*Not pictured Spring 2020
Graduates*

- *Kaci Heard*
- *Forrest Douglass*
- *Joshua Crum*

*Not pictured Summer 2020
Graduates*

- *Ryan Niepagen*





You've all made valuable contributions to this department and now you'll make equally significant contributions to our profession. We are proud to call you one of our own and have you represent us wherever life takes you. Until we meet again...be strong and fearless!