

# STACEY LOVERING PARKER

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## EXPERIENCE

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- Teaching Assistant** UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS Davis, CA 3/11-present  
Assist with logistics of class with eighty students, Science & Society/ Plant Sciences 12, "Plants and Society". Grade papers, midterm and final examinations. Attend lectures, coordinate guest presentations, and field trips. Prepare and present a lecture on Urban Sustainable Agriculture. Maintain office hours and meet and communicate with students as needed.
- Nutrition Education Site Supervisor** PROJECT EAT Hayward, CA 1/09-9/10  
Oversaw programmatic operations for garden-based Nutrition and Horticulture Education Programs serving over 5,000 underprivileged elementary schoolchildren. Provided staff supervision, training, professional development, and evaluation. Participated in recruitment, interviews, and site placement. Coordinated communications, resources, and personnel to assure implementation of project goals and objectives. Completed all necessary and related personnel documentation in accordance with School District policies. Acted as a liaison for school site staff, school district administrators and personnel. Planned, facilitated and assessed monthly staff meetings and staff development. Established and maintained contact with community organizations, parents and the public to promote involvement in school gardens and other nutrition-based activities. Participated in collaborative planning and decision-making regarding programmatic development and evaluation. Implemented program improvement measures to enhance program efficacy. Maintained grant documentation.
- Nutrition Education Site Coordinator** PROJECT EAT Hayward, CA 10/08-1/09  
Coordinated and conducted Nutrition and Horticulture Education Programs in a 650-student elementary school. Prepared lesson plans, implemented effective classroom management strategies related to outdoor education programs, collaborated and corresponded with classroom teachers, and managed and maintained an outdoor classroom. Designed, and implemented educational gardening and composting design elements supportive of the program's curricular goals and concepts. Coordinated, assisted, and supported teachers in teaching garden concepts that reinforce the principles of nutrition education while integrating California Education and English Language Development standards. Conducted nutrition education outreach to school community and volunteers. Supervised volunteers in the Nutrition Education program. Established and maintained contact with community organizations, parents and the public to promote involvement in school gardens and nutrition-based activities. Created and disseminated educational and promotional materials, and prepared and collected site budgets and other required documentation for grant reporting.
- Project Director** THE FARM THERAPY PROJECT, HANC San Francisco, CA 11/06-12/07  
Wrote and secured a grant with the San Francisco Department of Public Health as part of the planning process for a \$480 million rebuild of the City's Laguna Honda Hospital and Rehabilitation Center, an urban public long-term care hospital and rehabilitation facility of 1000 residents. Created a comprehensive sustainability guide for the operational and programmatic development of an innovative therapeutic animal farm, greenhouse, garden and fruit tree orchard covering the following topics: operational materials, supplies and vendors; project staffing; site management; sustainable agricultural, horticultural, and animal husbandry practices, including soil fertility, compost production, propagation, greenhouse management, transplanting and direct cultivation, irrigation, annual/perennial/cover crop/native plant/fruit tree/animal selection, orchard maintenance, pest/disease/weed management, and infection control. Conducted interviews, focus groups and hospital-wide surveys, as part of an in-depth needs assessment. Prepared a detailed report outlining operational and programmatic recommendations based upon the diverse and specific needs and preferences of hospital residents, staff, visitors, and volunteers. Established and directed an interdisciplinary workgroup representative of institutional stakeholders to guide and review development. Developed agreement among stakeholders on feasible and desirable horticultural and animal-assisted therapy program activities. Collaborated and consulted with senior hospital staff, architects and city officials. Produced quarterly reports, prepared billings, and managed contract budget.
- Garden Education Program Manager** GARDEN FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, HANC San Francisco, CA 6/05-9/06  
Administered all aspects of Garden for the Environment's Horticultural Education Programs. Supervised staff and volunteers, prepared billings, managed program budgets, and wrote quarterly and annual project reports. Interfaced with media, tour groups, funders, city agencies and organizations to strengthen program's effectiveness and reach. Set long and short term goals for GFE programming. Actively sought out and/or wrote fundraising proposals. Responsible for fulfilling goals and objectives as stated in work plans and/or contracts, in addition to responsibilities of Horticultural Education Coordinator and Outreach Specialist listed below.
- Horticultural Education Coordinator** GARDEN FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, HANC San Francisco, CA 9/03-6/05  
**SAN FRANCISCO LEAGUE OF URBAN GARDENERS** San Francisco, CA 6/02-7/03  
Managed San Francisco's nationally acclaimed Garden for the Environment, a ½ acre urban organic demonstration garden. Coordinated a three month adult Gardening and Composting Educator Training Program (GCETP) including recruitment, program management, instruction, curriculum and oversight of sustainable gardening practices of volunteer projects. Designed and led organic gardening classes and activities for children aged 5-12 at an inner-city afterschool community center. Coordinated, conducted and promoted sustainable gardening workshops, tours and events in gardens throughout San Francisco. Served as a consultant for schools, home gardeners, community gardens coordinators and staff as a sustainable horticulture expert. Oversaw management of 24-hour gardening hotline and answered gardening questions from the general public with non-toxic solutions. Recruited, supervised and tracked volunteers for the Garden for the Environment.

- Outreach Specialist SAN FRANCISCO LEAGUE OF URBAN GARDENERS** San Francisco, CA 3/02-6/02  
Promoted non-profit horticultural education programs for the residents of San Francisco. Wrote and distributed public service announcements and press releases publicizing ongoing and special events. Produced and distributed flyers to community groups and organizations. Maintained and tracked educational and publicity materials. Devised and implemented creative outreach strategies in collaboration with department staff.
- Apprentice CENTER FOR AGROECOLOGY & SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS** Santa Cruz, CA 4/01-10/01  
Participated in six month apprenticeship in Ecological Horticulture. Acquired practical training and instruction in botanical propagation, soil fertility, botany, pest and disease management, composting, transplanting, covercropping, native plants, seed saving, greenhouse construction, crop planning, tool care, pruning and training of herbaceous perennial and orchard crops, direct marketing, irrigation, and food security. Additional responsibilities included volunteer CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) Harvest Coordinator; member of chicken, beekeeping, and social justice groups.
- Teacher-in-Residence SLIDE RANCH** Muir Beach, CA 2/00-12/00  
Designed and implemented an experiential, environmental education curriculum for children ages 2-17 in both day programs and summer camp settings. Worked directly with at-risk teens, ESL classrooms, developmentally delayed adults and homeless families. Supervised task-based learning for groups of students in outdoor classroom stations including organic gardens, coastal trails, and animal areas, emphasizing issues such as biodiversity and interdependence. Promoted team-building and respect using goal-oriented activities and consensus building. Worked individually and collectively in ranch and garden management projects. Assisted administration in grant writing, curriculum development, fundraising, and community outreach. Assisted in care and management of farm's chickens, ducks, turkeys, goats and sheep.
- Project Coordinator/Hygienist HUNTER ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, Ltd.** Peterborough, NH 11/98-1/00  
Conducted environmental air quality monitoring on litigation team. Assisted Senior Scientist in bulk sampling collection. Prepared and edited written reports detailing site locations and sampling operations. Trained new employees in collection methods.
- Substitute Teacher SUDBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS** Sudbury, MA 9/98-2/99  
Taught various subjects in elementary and middle public schools. Assisted students with learning disabilities and behavioral and attention deficits.
- Administrative Assistant, Production Worker RUSSELL'S GARDEN CENTER** Wayland, MA 3/99, 5/95-9/95  
Assisted Bookkeeper with Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivable. Maintained daily and monthly sales records, commercial distributor accounts, and confidential personnel files. Purchased and inventoried office supplies and organized mailings. Developed working knowledge of greenhouse production and propagation, alternative organic remediation and fertilization techniques, and soil analysis. Collaborated with Landscape Designer and crew on garden design projects.
- National Park Volunteer/Research Assistant ALCATRAZ NATIONAL PARK** San Francisco, CA 5/96-9/96  
Assisted doctoral student with research of Western Seagull and conducted corresponding investigation to determine human impact on species behavior. Complied, analyzed, and interpreted results for a written report.

## **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

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- ❖ Founding member of San Francisco Garden Resource Organization (SFGRO)
- ❖ Member of San Francisco Food Alliance
- ❖ Member of San Francisco Recreation & Park Department's Community Garden Policy Committee
- ❖ Beekeeper and member of San Francisco Beekeeper's Association since 2002
- ❖ Volunteer at Cesar Chavez Elementary School, San Francisco Botanical Garden, SF Conservatory of Flowers, UC Davis Arboretum

## **EDUCATION**

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**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS**, Davis, CA  
Current graduate student in Horticulture and Agronomy.

**PURDUE UNIVERSITY**, West Lafayette, IN  
B. S. in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, 1997. Semester Honors.

**SCHOOL FOR FIELD STUDIES**, Republic of Palau  
Island Resource Management Program, 1995.

**SAN FRANCISCO LEAGUE OF URBAN GARDENERS (SLUG)**, San Francisco, CA  
Gardening and Composting Educator Training Program, 1999.

**SAN FRANCISCO BOTANICAL GARDENS**, San Francisco, CA  
Permaculture Design Certification Program, 2006. Served as a work-exchange student and guest instructor.