

Gus Viking

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Professional Summary

Motivated first-year Biology student with hands-on experience in sustainable agriculture and a strong foundation in biological and chemical sciences. Skilled in teamwork, communication, and ecological awareness through active involvement in a student-run food co-op and campus leadership roles. Eager to apply academic knowledge and practical skills in a research-focused internship that supports environmental sustainability and scientific discovery.

Education

Bachelor of Arts in Biology May 2029
Augustana College | Rock Island, Illinois GPA: 3.4/4.0

- Relevant Coursework: Introduction to Biology, General Chemistry I & II, Environmental Science
- Lab Skills: Microscopy, pipetting, solution preparation (from coursework)
- Compute Skillr: Microsoft Office, Google Suite, Canva

Relevant Experience

Student Volunteer & Crew Member, Augie Acres (Student-Run Food Co-op August 2023 – Present
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- Collaborate with student team to manage a sustainable, organic garden on campus
- Plant, harvest, and maintain produce while applying biological concepts to real-world food systems
- Assist in composting, crop rotation, and sustainable agriculture education for campus visitors
- Promote environmental awareness through campus events and tabling initiatives

Student Researcher, Introduction to Biology- Plant & Cell Biology Research Project Fall 2023
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- Collaborated with a lab partner to investigate the effects of light exposure on plant cell growth using controlled lab conditions and microscopy techniques
- Collected and analyzed data to compare chloroplast density and cell elongation across varying light intensities
- Presented findings in a formal written report and in-class poster session to peers and faculty
- Gained experience with data recording, lab protocol adherence, and biological inquiry methods

Leadership Experience

Campus Recreation, Intramural Sports, Referee September 2023 – Present
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- Enforced rules and maintained fair play in recreational sports leagues
- Demonstrated leadership, decision-making, and conflict resolution in fast-paced environments
- Built strong communication skills working with diverse student participants