

Rylee Smith

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EDUCATION

Oklahoma State University | Stillwater, Okla.

Expected Graduation: May 2026

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources

Major: Agricultural Communications

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Major: Agricultural Education with concentration in Multidisciplinary

WORK EXPERIENCE

Oklahoma State University

August 2024 – December 2025

Horticulture and Landscape Architecture Online Content Manager

Stillwater, Okla.

- Assist department by managing social media content to promote programs and initiatives.
- Collaborate with faculty to showcase activities and accomplishments within the department.
- Develop engaging content to attract and inform current and prospective students.

Life.Church

May 2024 – August 2025

Social Media Specialist Intern

Edmond, Okla.

- Created and managed engaging multimedia content for social media platforms.
- Edited and optimized video recordings to increase reach across social media platforms.
- Collaborated with ministry teams to develop and implement social media strategies.

Oklahoma State University

October 2022 – August 2024

Horticulture and Landscape Architecture Student Researcher and Farm Hand

Stillwater, Okla.

- Assisted Horticulture Department with taking soil samples to determine soil health.
- Coordinated with farm hands to assist with basic farm management skills.
- Grew vegetables on student farm to be donated to local food pantry.

LEADERSHIP INVOLVEMENT

State Convention Social-Media Team | Oklahoma FFA Association

2021 – 2025

- Help Oklahoma FFA run the social media and written media during state convention.

Host Team (Hospitality/Usher Leader) | Life.Church

2017 – 2025

- Serve church attendees through greeting, refreshments, and finding seats.

Agricultural Future of America Conference | Oklahoma State University

2022 – 2025

- Connect with industry professionals and gain leadership experience.

Switch Small Group Leader | Life.Church Stillwater

2024 – 2025

- Lead 6-12 grade students in a relationship with the Lord on Wednesday nights.

Social Media Team | Life.Church Stillwater

2024 – 2025

- Create posts to engage church members in the community.

Graphic and Social Media Coordinator | Cowboy Journal |

2025

- Create post to promote magazine and review all graphic/table of contents for magazine.

Website Manager | Rowing Club | Oklahoma State University

2023 – 2024

- Train with the Rowing Club for rowing meets and practice and keep website updated.

University 1111 Student Academic Mentor | Oklahoma State University

2024

- Serve as mentor and group discussion facilitator within the first year seminar class.

Lead4Success | Oklahoma State University

2023

- Hands-on, real-world leadership and facilitation training.
- American Society for Horticultural Science Convention** | Oklahoma State University 2022 – 2023
- Present research to professionals across the country.
- President Leadership Council** | Oklahoma State University 2022 – 2023
- Small group and workshop leader for The Leadership Experience.
- Council Member Representative** | Ferguson Freshman in Transition 2022 – 2023
- Plan and organize activities for students living in FIT.
- Freshman Research Scholar** | Oklahoma State University 2022 – 2023
- Conduct research under a faculty member and write research reports.
- Entomology Student Superintendent** | Oklahoma FFA Association 2022 – 2023
- Run the Oklahoma FFA Entomology CDE through registration and results.
- Block and Bridle Bonanza Co-Chair Officer** | Oklahoma State University 2022 – 2023
- Organize the Bonanza livestock show and assist the club in any way possible.
- Freshman Research Symposium** | Oklahoma State University 2022 – 2023
- Present research to faculty members and guest at Oklahoma State University.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow 2nd place in Photography (Food Photo) 2025
- Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow 3rd place in Design & Layout (Page Layout) 2025
- Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow 2nd place in Design & Layout (Brochure) 2024
- FFA National Star in Agriscience Finalist 2024
- American FFA Degree Recipient 2024
- Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow 3rd place in Writing 2023
- Oklahoma State University Top 20 Freshman Women 2023
- Ferguson Freshman of Excellence Award 2023
- Agricultural Education Outstanding Freshman 2023
- Oklahoma FFA State Star in Agriscience 2022
- National Finalist (8th) in Agriscience Food Products and Products and Processing Systems 2021
- State Champion Agriculture Communications Proficiency Award 2021
- State Champion Agriscience Fair in Food Products and Processing Systems 2021
- State Champion Agricultural Issues Team 2021

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Oklahoma FFA Agriscience Fair Contest Registration** | Hrs: 2 2023 – 2025
- Set up for the Agriscience fair contest and guided FFA members to posters.
- Spring & Fall Oologah Livestock Show** | Hrs: 29 2023 – 2024
- Lined up sheep and goats before they entered the show ring and made announcements.
- Oklahoma State University Collegiate FFA Speech Contest Judge** | Hrs: 5 2024
- Judged the Agriscience division to prepare FFA members for the regional contest.
- Morrison FFA Speech Contest Judge** | Hrs: 5 2023
- Judged the Agriscience division to prepare FFA members for the regional contest.
- Morrison FFA Member State Star Application and Presentation** | Hrs: 3 2023
- Prepared the Oklahoma FFA Northwest Area State Star in Agriscience winner for state interview.
- Oklahoma FFA Northeast Area Speech Contest Judge** | Hrs: 4 2023
- Judged the Creed division to send the best students to the State FFA speech contest.
- OSU President's Leadership Council TLX Workshop** | Hrs: 8 2023
- Presented an Empathy workshop for TLX camp engaging with high school juniors and seniors.
- OSU President's Leadership Council TLX Small Group Leader** | Hrs: 16 2022
- Small group leader for TLX, engaging with high school students to teach them about philanthropy.
- Oklahoma FFA New Teacher Meeting** | Hrs: 2 2022
- Presented with a panel to help them understand the perspective of students on FFA events.

- Rogers County Fair Set Up** | Hrs: 2 2022
- Set up pens and show ring for the county fair and instructed FFA members where to place panels.

CERTIFICATIONS

- SAE for All Training Certification 2025
- Case4Learning Introduction to Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources 2025
- Case4Learning Small Gas Engines 2025

REFERENCES

Dr. Nathan Smith

- Title: Agricultural Education Teaching Assistant Professor at Oklahoma State University
- Relation: Undergraduate Academic Advisor
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Dr. Justin Quetone Moss

- Title: Horticulture and Landscape Architecture Department Head | Director of OSU Student Farm
- Relation: Former Employer
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Tara Brown

- Title: Silo FFA Advisor and Agricultural Instructor
- Relation: Cooperating Teacher
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