MATTHEW KUTUGATA

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EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin   *August 2008 - May 2012*
Geography: Sustainability

University of Texas Rio Grande Valley   *August 2018 - present*
Agriculture, Environmental, and Sustainability Sciences

SKILLS

Computer Languages	Learning Python, MATLAB (kinda)
Software & Tools	QGIS, Agisoft,
Interests	Farming, Analytics, Data Science, Sustainable Agriculture
Languages	English, Spanish

EXPERIENCE

Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Advancement   January 2019 - Present
Project Assitant

· Develop annual report
· Write grants and manages cooperative projects

UTRGV Agroecology Lab   May 2018 - Present
Lab Assitant/Graduate Student

· Work with team to study Subtropical Soil Health Initiative
· Collect and process biomass samples

National Immigrant Farming Initiative   April 2017 - May 2018
Agricultural Specialist

· Worked with team of agronomist to aid in the development of sustainable agriculture projects among socially disadvantage beginning farmers and ranchers
· Organize, lead, and/or assist in workshops and training events

Consultant   August 2016 - April 2017
Sustainable Ag Specialist

Worked with beginning farmers and ranchers in central Portugal

Parque Pumalin   December 2014 - May 2016
Park Ranger Administrator

· Led team of 8 park rangers and 5 volunteers in farmland restoration projects on over 50,000 acres in southern Chile (Northern Patagonia)
· Managed day-to-day park activities

POSITION OF RESPONSIBILITY

Frontera Farmers Coalition   January 2019 - Present
Board/Founding Member

Agriculture producer owned cooperative designed to provide markets for small-scale farmers in the Rio Grande Valley