Priya Raman

Horticulture Technician

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SUMMARY

Horticulture Technician with a year in commercial greenhouse production and 2 years of garden center work. Handle plant propagation, fertigation and integrated pest management across 80,000 square feet of greenhouse space, and hold a North Carolina pesticide applicator license.

EDUCATION

Associate in Applied Science 12/2024

Blue Ridge Community College Flat Rock, NC

Horticulture Technology

EXPERIENCE

Horticulture Technician 02/2025 - Present

Swannanoa Valley Greenhouses Asheville, NC

Wholesale greenhouse growing annuals, perennials and herbs for 150 garden centers.

- Produce **40,000** cuttings a week in spring through plant propagation in mist benches, with rooting above 95%.
- Scout 12 greenhouse bays twice weekly under the integrated pest management plan, cutting pesticide sprays 30%.
- Adjust fertigation and irrigation systems from EC and pH readings, keeping crops on target in 98% of weekly checks.
- Track inventory for 300 plant varieties and stage 50 wholesale orders a week for shipping.

Garden Center Associate (Part-Time) 03/2023 - 01/2025

Haywood Road Garden Supply Asheville, NC

Independent garden center and nursery yard, part-time while in college.

- Maintained watering, pruning and spacing for 2,000 nursery plants across a 1-acre retail yard.
- Diagnosed plant, pest and disease problems for 30+ customers a day using plant identification keys.
- Processed 60 nursery deliveries a season, checking plant quality before stock reached the sales floor.

SKILLS

Plant Propagation • Integrated Pest Management • Greenhouse Production • Fertigation • Irrigation Systems

Pruning • Plant Identification • Pesticide Application • Inventory Tracking • Teamwork

CERTIFICATES

Pesticide Ground Applicator License

North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

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