

MEGAN L ROBERTS

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Higher education professional with collegiate teaching and administrative experience; expertise in agribusiness management, small business entrepreneurship and succession, and ag policy; demonstrated passion for student success; committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion; skilled in student advising.

Professional Experience

Assistant Professor of Management – Minnesota State University, Mankato. Director of the Agribusiness & Food Innovation Program, Mankato, MN. August 2023-Present. Full-time, fixed term.

Executive Director – Southern Agricultural Center of Excellence. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities hosted at South Central College, North Mankato, MN. March 2022–August 2023. Full-time.

Assistant Extension Professor – Extension Educator, Agricultural Business Management. University of Minnesota Regional Office, Mankato, MN. August 2017–March 2022. Full-time, 12-month appointment.

Agribusiness Instructor. South Central College, North Mankato, MN. December 2012–August 2017. Selected as Department Chair in April 2017. Teaching and Learning graduate credential from SMSU. Unlimited full-time (UFT), 9-month appointment, successfully completed three-year probationary status.

Communications Coordinator. Crystal Valley Coop, Lake Crystal, MN. June 2010–August 2011. Full-time.

Business/Entrepreneurship Experience

Shareholder, Board of Directors Member, and Management Team, Roberts Farms Inc., Independently Owned Farrow-to-Finish Hog and Crop Farm. Madelia, MN. July 2018–Present.

Education

Doctor of Education. (2019, August). Agricultural Education, joint doctoral program of Texas A&M University and Texas Tech University. (Committee Chair: Dr. Gary Wingenbach). Texas A&M University Extended Learning **Certificate in Financial Planning.** (2021, December). CFP® exam and certification in progress, expected 2024.

Dissertation/record of study: Selected agricultural students' self-perceived emotional and financial wellbeing

Master of Science. (2012, December). Science, Technology, and Environmental Policy, emphasis agricultural policy; University of Minnesota Humphrey School of Public Affairs. (Committee Chair: Dr. Jennifer Kuzma). **Humphrey Public Leaders Fellowship** and Research Assistant in public policy.

Thesis: The safety of farm children and youth: Understanding reactions to proposed Department of Labor regulatory changes

Bachelor of Science. (2010, May). Applied Plant Science, concentration plant utilization, *summa cum laude* with high distinction, triple minor in Applied Economics, Sustainable Agriculture, & International Agriculture; University of Minnesota – Twin Cities. Presidential scholarship recipient.

Journal Articles - ORCID ID: 0000-0002-6064-3097

3. **Roberts, M. L.** (2021). Farm management instructors expect more farm transitions in coming years. *Journal of the American Society of Farm Managers & Rural Appraisers*, 29–34. <https://www.asfmra.org/resources/asfmra-journal>
2. **Roberts, M. L.** (2020). Self-perceived economic hardship versus financial measures influence on farmer well-being. *Journal of the American Society of Farm Managers & Rural Appraisers*, 107–115. <https://www.asfmra.org/resources/asfmra-journal>
1. **Roberts, M. L.** (2014). The safety of farm children and youth: Understanding reactions to proposed DOL regulatory changes [abstract]. *Journal of Agromedicine*, 19(2), 233–234. doi: 10.1080/1059924X.2014.892456

Courses Taught at Minnesota State University, Mankato, January 2023-Present

MGMT 230	Principles of Management – 3 credits, F23x2 sections
MGMT 360	Agribusiness in the Modern Economy – 3 credits, SP23, F23
AGBZ 370	Agribusiness Finance – 3 credits, SP23

Selected Courses Taught at South Central College, Unlimited Full-Time (UFT) Status, December 2012-August 2017

SGAG 1000	Agribusiness Orientation – 1 credit, Taught 12 sections
AGRI 1800	Agribusiness Internship – 1-9 variable credits, Taught 10 sections
AGEC 1200	Farm Recordkeeping – 3 credits, Taught 10 sections
AGEC 1100	Introduction to Agricultural Economics – 3 Credits, Taught 8 sections
AGEC 2400	Commodity Marketing Principles (Futures & Options) – 3 Credits, Taught 5 times
AGRI 1800	Employer/Employee Relations – 2 credits, Taught 3 sections
AGEC 2500	Agribusiness Transfer and Law – 2 credits, Taught 3 sections
AGBS 2990	International Field Study – 3 credits, Taught 2 times (Costa Rica, Peru)

Abstracts, Posters, and Other Reports

- Tuck, B., **Roberts, M.**, Hadrich, J., Wehe, M. & local extension educators. (2022). Ag horizons economic impact summary reports. *Extension report*. University of Minnesota Extension. St. Paul, MN. Example report available for retrieval from <https://extension.umn.edu/community-research/scott-county-ag-horizons/>

- Holcomb, C. R. & **Roberts, M. L.** (2021, August 21). 2021 fall tax planning for farmers. *Extension report*. University of Minnesota Extension. St. Paul, MN.
- Hadrich, J., Van Nurden, P., & **Roberts, M. L.** (2021, July). Upper midwest organic farm business management 2020 annual report. *Extension report*. University of Minnesota Extension. St. Paul, MN. Retrieved from <https://www.cffm.umn.edu/farm-business-management-annual-reports/>
- Hadrich, J., **Roberts, M.**, & Tuck, B. (2020, July 7). COVID-19 response: The role of poultry farmers in Minnesota's rural economy. *Extension report*. University of Minnesota Extension. St. Paul, MN. Retrieved from <https://conservancy.umn.edu/handle/11299/214888>
- Hadrich, J., **Roberts, M.**, & Tuck, B. (2020, June 9). COVID-19 response: The role of dairy farmers in Minnesota's rural economy. *Extension report*. University of Minnesota Extension. St. Paul, MN. Retrieved from <https://conservancy.umn.edu/handle/11299/214886>
- Hadrich, J., **Roberts, M.**, & Tuck, B. (2020, May 15). COVID-19 response: The role of hog farmers in Minnesota's rural economy. *Extension report*. University of Minnesota Extension. St. Paul, MN. Retrieved from <https://conservancy.umn.edu/handle/11299/214887>
- Hachfeld, G. A., Bau, D. B., Holcomb, C. R., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Hulinsky, N. J. (2020, January; 2018, May). *Extension factsheets (see select titles below)*. University of Minnesota Extension. Retrieved from <https://extension.umn.edu/managing-farm>.
- Factsheet titles: 2018 Farm Bill. Maintaining agricultural homestead (with guest author Mathews, J.). Gifting assets. Tax issues in estate planning. Balance sheet. Income statement. Cash flow. Statement of owner's equity. Ratios and measurements.*
- Roberts, M. L.**, & Mold, D. E. (2019, May). *Cultivating resiliency for women in agriculture: An interactive webinar series and online questionnaire*. Poster session presented at National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) Symposium. Minneapolis, MN.
- Roberts, M. L.**, & Wingenbach, G. (2018, April). *Understanding internal and external motivation factors in youth and adults participating in farm financial recordkeeping workshops in Nicaragua*. Poster session and peer-reviewed abstract published at the Association for International Agricultural and Extension Education (AIAEE) 2018 Annual Conference. Merida, Mexico.
- Levison, D., & **Roberts, M. L.** (2017, December). *Youth perspectives on child labor regulations in U.S. agriculture*. Humphrey School of Public Affairs [white paper]. Minneapolis, MN.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2017, June). *A community college's innovative approach to agricultural safety using a mobile safety trailer*. Poster session presented at the International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health (ISASH) Annual Conference. Logan, UT.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2016, June). *Occupational safety and health curriculum development and training for Minnesota agricultural educators*. Poster session presented at the International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health (ISASH) Annual Conference. Lexington, KY.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2016, May). *Occupational safety and health curriculum development and training for Minnesota agricultural educators*. Poster session presented at the National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) Symposium. Minneapolis, MN.

Roberts, M. L. (2015, May). *Occupational safety and health curriculum development and training for Minnesota agricultural educators: In-progress*. Poster session presented at the National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) Symposium. Minneapolis, MN.

Roberts, M. L. (2013, September). *The safety of farm children and youth: Understanding reactions to proposed DOL regulatory changes*. Poster session presented at the North American Agricultural Safety Summit. Minneapolis, MN.

Munnich, L., Murphy, L. B., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Schuler, S. (2012, February). *The Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan region and the Minnesota economy*. Humphrey School of Public Affairs [white paper]. Minneapolis, MN.

International Educational Experience

Nicaragua – August 2017 – United States Agency for International Development – Youth and Women Business Recordkeeping Farmer-2-Farmer Expert Volunteer

Peru – January 2017 – South Central College – International Field Study – Faculty Lead

Costa Rica – March 2016 – South Central College – International Field Study – Faculty Lead

France – June 2012 – Rotary International Young Professionals Study Exchange – Food and Agriculture of the Loire Valley – Young Professionals Participant

Mexico – January 2008 – Language Immersion Course – Student Participant

Costa Rica – January 2007 – International Field Study – Student Participant

Selected Qualitative Course Evaluation Feedback

“Every time I felt like we were getting stuck or like perhaps the conversation was getting more confrontational, [...] you were always able to receive the conversation gently and guide us to more positive and productive talking points. It's obvious that you're a very talented educator.”
–Graduate student participant, Institute on the Environment Panel, 2021

“Wow. You exceeded my expectations. This was great.” – Participant, Farm Service Agency and Extension Farm Bill Decisions Presentation, St. Peter, 2020

“Thank you! Your warmth, openness to questions, responsiveness AND of course your technical expertise was communicated very well!” – Participant, Farm Succession Retreat, Rochester, 2019

“Megan was fantastic - very knowledgeable, able to answer non-expected questions, add additional info, etc.” – Participant, Farm Transition and Estate Planning Workshop, 2018

“Great job Megan! Your presentation style was engaging and easy to follow.” – Participant, Farm Transition and Estate Planning Workshop, 2018

“The presentation was very comprehensive and Megan was excellent.” – Participant, Farm Transition and Estate Planning Workshop, 2018

“[Megan's]... life experience gave her the credibility to speak on the subject! I would return to a seminar given by her! Thank you for the efforts!” – Participant, Farm Transition and Estate Planning Workshop, 2018

“This class changed my life.” – Student, AGRI 2990, International Field Study, 2017

“She knows what she is talking about; fun, good info.” – Student, AGEC 2400, Commodity Marketing Principles, 2016

“Megan...made me want to listen more and understand the material.” – Student, AGEC 1100, Introduction to Agricultural Economics, 2015

“Megan does a great job at explaining materials and it helps that she knows a lot about econ[omics] to help make things easier to comprehend.” – Student, AGEC 1100, Introduction to Agricultural Economics, 2015

“Megan Roberts is a great instructor and would recommend her to any student.” –Student, AGEC 1100, Introduction to Agricultural Economics, 2014

Ag Policy Blog Authorship – University of Minnesota Extension Ag Business Management Blog

To find articles authored by Roberts, M. L., search blog-abm-news.extension.umn.edu. Active author from 2019 – 2022. 29,000+ article views.

Educational Programming, Extension

Roberts, M. L., Molenaar, J., & Hulinsky, N. (2023–2018). Farm transition and estate planning: Multi-generational farm family transfer retreat. *Minnesota State Colleges and Universities and University of Minnesota Extension Partnership Program*.

Program co-leader*, curriculum co-writer, co-teacher, & evaluation writer. One and half day program. Reached **348 participants**. *Program co-leadership with J. Molenaar began in April 2018, previous involvement in 2018 was as a guest speaker.

Mankato (2023, February 24-25); St. Cloud (2023, March 10-11) Mankato (2022, March 11-12); Alexandria (2022, February 25-26); Virtual webinar series (2021, February 4, 11, 18, 25); Faribault (2020, February 28-29); Rochester (2019, March 8-9); Willmar (2019, February 22–23); St. Cloud - pilot, (2018, March 9–10); Mankato – pilot, (2018, March 2–3).

Minnesota Department of Agriculture *Bend, Don't Break Grant* farm transition and estate planning train-the-trainer workshops. (2021, November 2, 10). Reached **60 advanced facilitators and 22 introductory facilitators**.

Craven, R., Klair, K., Purdy, R., Holcomb, C. R., Bau, D. B., **Roberts, M. L.**, Hulinsky, N. J., & Roberts, A. (2022-2019). Farm Bill Crops Meetings. *University of Minnesota Extension and Farm Service Agency Presentation*.

2022 curriculum revisor, lead presenter & evaluation writer. 75-minute webinar. Megan Roberts reached **439 participants** live in a statewide zoom presentation, with a recording available at z.umn.edu/farmbill2022. *Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage 2022 Decision*. (2022, January 26).

2021 curriculum revisor, lead presenter & evaluation writer. 75-minute webinar. Megan Roberts reached **462 participants** live in a statewide zoom presentation, with a recording available at z.umn.edu/farmbill2021. *Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage 2021 Decision*. (2021, January 12).

2019-20 teacher, co-reviewer & evaluation writer. 1 hour presentation. Megan Roberts reached **953 participants** in Central and Southcentral MN in 2020; the overall ABM team reached nearly 4700 participants statewide. In-person. *Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage 2019-20 Decision*. Owatonna (2020, February 10); New Richland (2020, February 10); Austin (2020, February 6); New Ulm – invited talk by Compeer (2020, January 31); Albert Lea (2020, January 23); Owatonna (2020, January 23); Winnebago (2020, January 9); St. Peter (2020, January 8); Bricelyn (2020, January 7); Arlington (2019, December 20); Litchfield (2019, December 20); Blue Earth (2019, December 17); Mayer (2019, December 16); Farmington (2019, December 16).

Roberts, M. L., & Various Co-Instructors. (2022–2018). Farm transition and estate planning: Create your farm legacy. *University of Minnesota Extension Workshop Series*.

Program leader, curriculum writer, lead teacher & evaluation writer. Six-hour program. Reached **692 participants in person; 302 virtual**.

Virtual Series (2021, December 1, 8, 15, 22); St. Cloud (2020, March 11); Olivia (2020, March 4); Mora (2020, February 13); Floodwood (2020, February 12); Preston (2020, January 29); Blue Earth (2020, January 22); Moorhead (2020, January 16); Roseau (2020, January 15); Fergus Falls (2019, December 19); Pipestone (2019, December 11); Cologne (2019, December 4); Elko New Market (2019, November 21); Detroit Lakes (2019, March 27); Thief River Falls (2019, March 26); Slayton (2019, March 21); Alexandria (2019, March 13); St. Cloud (2019, March 12); Faribault (2019, March 7); Austin (2019, February 28); Hinckley (2019, February 19); Winthrop (2019, February 5); Goodhue (2019, January 22); Madison (2019, January 16); North Mankato (2018, March 29); Murdock (2018, March 15); Barnesville (2018, March 14); Fairmont (2018, March 2); Willmar (2018, February 23); Little Falls (2018, February 9); Alexandria (2018, February 8).

Hadrich, J., **Roberts, M.**, & Tuck, B. (2022-2021). Ag Horizons: Economic impact analysis workshops. *University of Minnesota Extension*.

Program co-leader, curriculum co-writer, co-teacher, & co-evaluation writer. Four-hour interactive workshop. Reached **18 county stakeholders** (events still in progress).

Faribault/Rice County (2021, November 18). Gaylord/Sibley County (2022, January 31).

Holcomb, C. R., Hulinsky, N. J., & **Roberts, M. L.** (2021–2020). Agricultural Tax Issues course. *University of Minnesota Extension*.

Presenter on CARES Act's PPP, EIDL, and CFAP provisions; ARPA's ERC, Child Tax Credit and Premium Health Care Tax Credit. Virtual. **Reached 224 participants**. (2021, October 22; 2021, October 19; 2021, October 14). Related co-presentation with Holcomb, C. R., *2021 Tax Planning for Ag Producers*. Presenter on CARES Act. Virtual. **Reached 80 participants live and 36 recorded**. (2021, November 30).

Presenter on CARES Act's PPP, EIDL, and CFAP provisions. Virtual. **Reached 216 participants**. (2020, October 16; 2020, October 6; 2020, October 2). Related co-presentation with Holcomb, C. R., *2020 Tax Planning for Ag Producers*. Presenter on CARES Act. Virtual. **Reached 16 participants live and 51 recorded**. (2020, December 3).

Roberts, M. L., & Boelke Schieck, S. (2020–2017). Women in Ag Network Quarterly Events and Annual Conference. *University of Minnesota Extension and Minnesota Farm Service Agency Collaboration.*

Sponsorship lead, educational content co-creator, annual conference keynote negotiator, co-evaluator, & newsletter co-writer. Program length varied. Reached **405 participants**.

Annual conferences: Willmar (2020, February 4); Willmar (2019, February 14); St. Cloud (2018, February 15). *Summer tours:* New London (2019, July 18); Kimball (2018, July 13); Brooten (2017, August 16).

Hulinsky, N. J., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Various Co-Instructors. (2019–2017). Survive and Thrive: Taking Charge of Your Finances. *University of Minnesota Extension Workshop Series.*

Program co-teacher. Six hour program. Megan Roberts reached **78 participants** in sessions she co-taught.

Waseca (2018, August 28); Aitkin (2018, March 27); Freeport (2018, March 8); Fergus Falls (2019, January 9); Mankato (2018, January 3).

Grants and Sponsorship

Grant Short Name	Funded
MDA - FarmLand Access, Transfer and Succession Support	\$99,992
MN State System Office – Perkins Contract SACE/FFA	\$8,061
USDA NIFA - <i>Bend, Don't Break</i> Stress Assistance Program 2.0	\$25,000
SBA – South Central Community Navigator (MBFFA)	\$78,478
USDA NIFA – <i>Bend, Don't Break</i> Stress Assistance Program 1.0	\$48,727
USDA NC-ERME – Farm Transition	\$50,000
MDA – Farm Transition	\$24,000
UMASH – Cultivating Resiliency for Women in Ag	\$11,500
AAW – Cultivating Resiliency for Women in Ag	\$5,000
UMASH – Ag Safety and Health for Ag Educators	\$8,500
Sponsorship – Women in Ag Network	\$21,250
Total	\$380,508

PD: **Roberts, M. L.** in collaboration with Molenaar, J. (2023) *FarmLand Access, Transfer and Succession Support and Advising (FLATSSA)*. Southern Agricultural Center of Excellence Interagency Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture for the Bend, Don't Break Stress Assistance program, a sub-grant of the United States Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture. **\$99,992.** (Note. I submitted and was awarded this project when I was Executive Director of SACE and then transferred it to the next director of SACE when I transferred to Minnesota State University, Mankato in August 2023.)

Co-PDs: **Roberts, M. L.** & Brown, T.J. (2023). *Tools and equipment for Minnesota State Fair FFA live student agricultural mechanics competition*. Southern Agricultural Center of Excellence Interagency Agreement with the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System Office via Perkins Funding. **\$8,061.**

PD: **Roberts, M. L.** in collaboration with Molenaar, J. (2022–2023). *Farm transfer/succession coaching*. Southern Agricultural Center of Excellence Interagency Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture for the Bend, Don't Break Stress Assistance program, a sub-grant of the United States Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture. **\$25,000.**

Sub-grant PI: **Roberts, M. L.**, Key Personnel: LeBrun, Tina. (2022–2023). *The south central community navigator: Mainstreet businesses focused on food and agriculture (MBFFA)*. Southern Agricultural Center of Excellence Interagency Agreement with project lead Minnesota State University, Mankato, United States Small Business Administration (SBA) Community Navigator grant. \$78,478 for farm business management education services sub-grant. \$942,796 for Total Grant.

[unfunded] PI: Gorter, E., Co-PI: De Lay, A., Key Personnel: **Roberts, M. L.**, & Mohamed, B. (2021–2025). *Vibrant Imperial Valley through agricultural (VIVA) leadership Program*. Rural Economic Development Standard Grants, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). \$36,400 for external evaluation services by M. L. Roberts. **\$447,642** for Total Grant. *Unfunded with Recommendation to Resubmit.*

Co-PDs: Schloesser, B.J. and **Roberts, M. L.** in collaboration with Molenaar, J. (2021–2022). *Professional development training for farm transition facilitators*. University of Minnesota Extension and South Central College partnership. Minnesota Department of Agriculture Bend, Don't Break Stress Assistance program, a sub-grant of the United States Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture. **\$48,727.**

PD: **Roberts, M. L.** in collaboration with Co-PDs Holcomb, C. R. & Roberts, A. of University of Minnesota, and sub-grantees Molenaar, J., & Barka, J. of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System. (2019–2020). *Create your farm legacy: Farm transition and estate planning workshops and retreats*. North Central Extension Risk Management Grant, a sub-grant of the United States Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture. **\$50,000.**

PD: **Roberts, M. L.** in collaboration with sub-grantees Molenaar, J., & Barka, J. of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System. (2018–2019). *Create your farm legacy: Farm transition and estate planning workshops and retreats*. Minnesota Department of Agriculture Special Project Grant. **\$24,000.**

Co-PIs: **Roberts, M. L.**, & Mold, D. E. (2018–2019). *Cultivating resiliency for women in agriculture*. Upper Midwest Agricultural Safety and Health Center Emerging Issues Grant, a sub-grant of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control. **\$11,500.**

Project summary available: umash.umn.edu/cultivating-resiliency-webinars. 2020-2021 Project Continuation: *Cultivating resiliency for women in agriculture* webinars, coffee chats, and podcast. **\$5,000.** Resiliency podcast available: cultivatingresiliency.transistor.fm

PI: **Roberts, M. L.** (2014–2015). *Occupational safety and health curriculum development and training for Minnesota agricultural educators*. Upper Midwest Agricultural Safety and Health Center Pilot Project, a sub-grant of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control. **\$8,500.**

Sponsorship Raised by M. L. Roberts: *University of Minnesota Extension's Women in Ag Network*. 2020: \$6,250; 2019: \$8,000; 2018: \$7,000. Total Sponsorship: **\$21,250.**

Service as a Grant Panelist: 2018–Present. USDA NIFA - Family and Consumer Sciences; USDA NIFA - Family and Consumer Sciences; USDA NIFA - Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education.

Invited and Conference Presentations

- Roberts, M. L.** (Multiple Dates, 2022). *Minnesota State Agricultural Centers of Excellence: Student enrollment, challenges, and opportunities*. Minnesota Association of Agricultural Educators, Southeast Minnesota Perkins Consortia, and Others. Multiple locations, MN.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2022, January 14). *Farm transitions: Where do we start? Best practices in making the handoff*. Form-a-Feed Dairy Conference. Red Wing, MN.
- Mold, D. E. & **Roberts, M. L.** (2022, January 13) *Have a happier New Year! - New goals, fresh start*. Cultivating Resiliency for Women in Agriculture Webinar Series. Virtual. Available at <http://umash.umn.edu/cultivating-resiliency/>
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, December 14). *Planning for farm transitions*. Soil Management Summit. University of Minnesota Extension. Mankato, MN.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, November 29). *Farm transition: Financing, gifting, fair vs equal, and family communication*. Guest Lecture APEC 3811. University of Minnesota CFANS. St. Paul, MN.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, November 23). *Upcoming farm transition events*. Post-Harvest FBM Annual Meeting. South Central College. Faribault, MN.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, October 27). *AgPlan*. Small Farms Start-Up School. Hosted by C. Carlson. University of Minnesota Extension. Virtual.
- Molenaar, J. & **Roberts, M. L.** (2021, September 14). *Farm transition partnership activities 2021-2022*. Minnesota Farm Business Management Fall Meeting. St. Cloud, MN.
- Molenaar, J. & **Roberts, M. L.** (2021, July 9). *Farm transition strategies*. Minnesota Association of Agricultural Educators Summer Conference. Moorhead, MN.
- Carpenter, S., Kuehn, L., & **Roberts, M. L.** (2021, June 10). *Paycheck Protection Program loan forgiveness*. University of Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture and other partners. Available at <https://www.misa.umn.edu/whats-new>
- Holcomb, C. R., Bau, D. B., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Paulson, G. (2021, May 26). *Ag business management: What can the past tell us about today and tomorrow?* Southwest Research and Outreach Center Advancing Ag Series. University of Minnesota.
- Thompson, T., Schottler, S., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Allister, B. (2021, April 19). *Farming and climate change panel*. Institute on the Environment's Graduate Scholars Seminar Series. Hosted by R. Gavin. University of Minnesota. Virtual.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, April 12; 2021, March 8). *Rural financial resiliency in the COVID-19 economy*. Community Resilience Roundtables: Center for Rural Policy and Development and the UMN Rural Stress Task Force. Hosted by H. Bandeen. Minnesota Association of Counties. Virtual.

- Glauber, J., Paulson, N., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Sumner, D. (2021, April 8). *Farm policy panel*. SCC-76 (Economics and Management of Risks in Agriculture and Natural Resources) Group 2021 Meeting. Virtual.
- Holcomb, C. R., & **Roberts, M. L.** (2021, March 23). *Producer impacts of COVID-19 recovery programs* [breakout session]. Extension Risk Management Education Annual Conference. Virtual. Available at https://agrisk.umn.edu/Conferences/Presentation/producer_impacts_of_covid19_recovery_programs
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, February 17). *Aim high: Take your family meeting to the next level* [breakout session]. Hosted by L. Quist. Compeer Financial Farm Transition Series. Virtual.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, February 16). *Financial considerations of a farm transition: Retirement, financial viability, and Minnesota farm programs*. Hosted by K. Stettler. Land Stewardship Project Land Transition Series. Virtual.
- Carpenter, S., Kuehn, L., & **Roberts, M. L.** (2021, February 16). *Paycheck Protection Program round 2*. University of Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture and other partners. Virtual. Available at <https://www.misa.umn.edu/whats-new>
- Roberts, M. L.** & Tuck, B. (2021, February 12). *Federal COVID-19 relief funding and small businesses: What's new?* Sustaining your local economy in turbulent times webinar series. Community Vitality Business Retention & Expansion Center. University of Minnesota Extension. Virtual.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, February 11). *ARC vs PLC: Making your 2021 Farm Bill decision*. Hosted by T. Sorenson. Americana Insurance 2021 Ag Summit. Virtual.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2021, January 21). *Transitioning without an heir*. Hosted by A. Roberts. Farm Transition Thursday. University of Minnesota Extension. Virtual. Available at <https://blog-abm-news.extension.umn.edu/2020/11/transition-thursdays-webinar-goal.html>
- Roberts, M. L.** (2020, November 30). *Farm transition: Financing, gifting, fair vs equal, and family communication*. Guest Lecture APEC 3811. University of Minnesota CFANS. Virtual.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2020, November 12). *Goal setting for farm transitions*. Hosted by A. Roberts. Farm Transition Thursday. University of Minnesota Extension. Virtual. Available at <https://blog-abm-news.extension.umn.edu/2020/11/transition-thursdays-webinar-goal.html>
- Roberts, M. L.**, & Wehe, M. (2020, November 4). *Tax planning for farm business management instructors: COVID-19 and QBI considerations*. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System Farm Business Management Program Friday Webinar Series. Virtual.
- Roberts, M. L.** (2020, November 4). *Farm programs during COVID-19: Making government programs work for you*. Hosted by F. Hall & J. Salfer. I-29 Moo University Dairy Extension Consortium. Virtual. Available at z.umn.edu/i29_government_program_update
- Carpenter, S., Kuehn, L., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Zimmerli, D. (2020, October 28). *Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2*. University of Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture and other partners. Virtual. Available at <https://www.misa.umn.edu/whats-new>
- Roberts, M. L.** (2020, October 14). *Farm transition strategies and goal setting*. Hosted by B. Jensen. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System Farm Business Management PEP Program. Virtual.

- Carpenter, S., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Geske, J. (2020, August 31). *Coronavirus Food Assistance Program: Who is eligible and how to apply?* University of Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture and other partners. Virtual. Available at <https://www.misa.umn.edu/whats-new>
- Roberts, M. L.** (2020, August 19). *Economic impact of Minnesota's livestock industry: What we do and don't know.* Southwest Minnesota Ag Lenders Conference. University of Minnesota SWFBM. Virtual.
- McKonkey, M. & **Roberts, M. L.** (2020, August 19). *Mental health in the dairy industry: A guide for veterinarians.* Boehringer Ingelheim Professional Development Series. Virtual.
- Kuehn, L., **Roberts, M. L.**, & Zimmerli, D. (2020, July 27, 28, & 30). *Paycheck Protection Program: Who is eligible and how to apply?* University of Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture and other partners. Virtual. Available at <https://www.misa.umn.edu/whats-new>
- Roberts, M. L.**, & Hulinsky, N. J. (2020, July 28). *Understanding 2020 financial programs for Minnesota dairy farmers.* University of Minnesota Extension Dairy Team. Virtual. Information available at <https://extension.umn.edu/event/understanding-2020-financial-programs-dairy-farmers>
- Reitmeier, S. & **Roberts, M. L.** (2020, June 12). *Honoring grief when making devastating agriculture decisions during COVID-19.* Cultivating Resiliency for Women in Agriculture Webinar Series. Hosted by D. E. Mold. Available at <http://umash.umn.edu/cultivating-resiliency/>
- Roberts, M. L.** (2020, June 2). *Cultivating resiliency for women in agriculture.* PubH 7200, Section 115: Providing Mental Health Support to Rural Communities. University of Minnesota School of Public Health Summer Institute.
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- Boerboom, J., Rollins, J. D., Ziegler, S., & **Roberts, M. L.** (2018, February 26). *Celebrating our history, envisioning our future as a global agribusiness epicenter*. We Have Ag! Minnesota State University Colloquium Series. Mankato, MN.
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- Roberts, M. L.** (2017, August). *Farm financial recordkeeping curriculum development and trainings* [multiple presentations over 10 days as Farmer-2-Farmer Volunteer]. United States Agency for International Development. Fabretto Foundation, Somoto, Nicaragua.

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Selected Popular Press

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Trainings and Certifications

Minnesota State System Office - Inclusive Leadership Training. May 2023.

Minnesota State Employee Supervisor Training. November 2022.

Texas A&M University Extended Learning Certificate in Financial Planning. December 2021.

Mental Health First Aid Certified. National Council for Behavioral Health. November 2019.

QPR Certified. Question Persuade Refer Suicide Prevention Training. May 2019.

Certified Facilitator. Annie's Project – Education for Farm Women. April 2019.

Research with Human Subjects, RCR Core, Social/Behavioral Key Personnel, CITI Training. November 2018 (University of Minnesota) and August 2015 (Texas A&M).

University of Minnesota Extension Ag, Food, and Natural Resources New Employee Training Cohort Graduate. May–September 2018.

University of Minnesota Extension Civil Rights Training. August 2017.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' Graduate Education Credential in Teaching and Learning; Southwest Minnesota State University. November 2014.

Professional Affiliations and Service

Minnesota State University Center for Rural Behavioral Health Advisory Board, 2022–Present

Minnesota Pork Producers, Member, 2022–Present

Ag Talent Workforce Coalition (A collaboration of Agri-Growth) Member, 2022–Present

GreenSeam, Business Expansion and Retention Committee, Member, 2022–Present

Minnesota Department of Agriculture *TransFARMation* Advisory Committee, 2021–Present

Minnesota Farm Bureau, Member, 2014–Present

South Central College Ag Symposium, Planning Committee Member, 2012–2017, 2022–2023

University of Minnesota Extension AFNR Associate Dean's Advisory Committee, 2021–2022

University of Minnesota Extension Rural Stress Task Force, 2019–2022

Minnesota Agri-Women, Member and Planning Committee Member, 2006–2019

Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Farm Safety Working Group, 2016–2019

Selected Awards and Honors

American Farm Bureau National Discussion Meet Contestant, January 2018
Minnesota Farm Bureau State Discussion Meet Winner, November 2017
South Central College Faculty and Staff Engagement Award, April 2017
Minnesota Coop Education Foundation Edward E. Slettom Scholarship, September 2016
Ralph K. Morris Foundation Elroy Webster Coop Scholarship, October 2016
Harvard Business School, Microeconomics Graduate Paper Runner-Up, December 2012
University of Minnesota Humphrey Public Leaders Fellow, Graduate Level Merit Based Fellowship, September 2011–December 2012
University of Minnesota Presidential Scholarship, September 2006–May 2010

Competency in Software and Learning Platforms

SPSS, STATA, NVIVO, DeDoose, Canva, Moodle, Google Sites, Blackboard, Microsoft Suite, Zoom