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EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music

Doctor of Musical Arts in Instrumental Conducting; Cognate in Jazz Studies
2026

University of Georgia

Master of Music in Instrumental Conducting
2018

University of South Florida

Bachelor of Science in Music Education
2010

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Cincinnati; Cincinnati, OH

2023 – Present

Graduate Teaching Assistant

- ☐ Conductor and musical director – University of Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra
- ☐ Instructor of COND 1071: Introduction to Conducting
- ☐ Provide 1:1 instruction to undergraduate conducting students and master's students who are not conducting majors
- ☐ Rehearse and guest conduct CCM Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, New Music Ensemble and Brass Choir
- ☐ Assist with instruction and administration of advanced conducting courses

Harvest Preparatory School; Canal Winchester, OH

2022 – 2023

Director of Bands and Choir

- ☐ Instructor of Beginning Band, Middle School Band and High School Band
- ☐ Instructor of Middle School and High School Choirs
- ☐ Responsible for instrument inventory, including \$40,000 of new instruments purchased
- ☐ High School band participated in the OMEA Large Group Assessment for the first time in 3 years

Armwood High School; Seffner, FL

2018 – 2022

Director of Bands and Orchestra

- ☐ Director of Hawk Pride Marching Band
- ☐ Conductor of the Orchestra, Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble
- ☐ Responsible for instrument inventory and uniform inventory
- ☐ Oversaw the Band Booster Organization and properties
- ☐ Re-started the Armwood Jazz program
- ☐ Re-started the Armwood High School Winter guard Program
- ☐ Coordinator of the 2020 and 2022 Hillsborough County All-County Jazz Band

University of Georgia; Athens, GA

2016 – 2018

Graduate Teaching Assistant

- ☐ Rehearse and guest conduct Hodgson Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band and Wind Symphony
- ☐ Assist with Redcoat Marching Band
 - ☐ Responsible for student attendance, sectional instruction and meal logistics and distribution
 - ☐ Accompany full band trips and supervise small band trips
- ☐ Assist with annual “Midfest” and “Janfest”
 - ☐ Festivals hosting over 1,000 middle and high school student musicians respectively
 - ☐ responsible for guest conductor transportation
 - ☐ assist with registration and hosting guest ensembles
- ☐ Conductor - Volleyball Band
- ☐ Conductor – Pep Band
- ☐ Co-Director – Concert Band and University Band
 - ☐ Responsible for all aspects of Spring ensemble for non-majors

Electa Lee Magnet Middle School; Bradenton, FL

2014 – 2016

Assistant Director of Bands

- ☐ Responsible for all aspects of 280-member Middle School Band Program
- ☐ Directed Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Concert Bands
- ☐ Directed Beginning and Advanced Jazz Bands
- ☐ Superior Rating for Concert and Jazz Bands at 2015 and 2016 Music Performance Assessments

John Carroll Catholic High School; Fort Pierce, FL

2013 - 2014

Director of Bands (part - time)

- ☐ Conductor of Concert Band
 - ☐ Plan and prepare music programs for Winter and Spring performances and District Music Performance Assessment

- ☐ Conductor of Pep Band

Forest Grove Middle School; Fort Pierce, FL

2011 - 2014

Director of Bands

- ☐ Conductor of Beginning, Concert, and Symphonic Bands
- ☐ Founded the Forest Grove Jazz program
- ☐ Created and developed “JazzMath” to develop improvisation and math skills
- ☐ Superior Rating at 2014 District 13 Music Performance Assessment

Buchanan Middle School; Tampa, FL

2011

Interim Director of Bands

- ☐ Conductor of Beginning, Concert, and Symphonic Bands

ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCES/CLINICIAN EXPERIENCE/PRESENTATIONS

Florida Music Educators Association Conference; Tampa, FL

2026

Presenter: *Influencing Musicality Through Gesture: An Approach to Effective Conducting for All grade levels.*

Minot State University Northwest Festival of Music

2025

Conductor/Clinician; High School Concert Band

University of Georgia Middle School Band Festival

2025

Conductor/Clinician; Clinic Band

Kentucky Music Educators Association

2024

Adjudicator; District 6 Large Ensemble Assessment

Grandview Heights High School; Columbus, OH

2023 - 2025

Saxophone Band Camp Instructor

Westland High School; Galloway, OH

2022 – 2024

Clarinet/Saxophone Band Camp Instructor

Wright State University; Dayton, OH

2023

Clinician; Silver Melted into Sound Festival

Florida Music Educators Association Conference; Tampa, FL

2022

Presenter: *Staying Power: How to Start A Jazz Band at Your School and Keep it Thriving in your Community.*

Florida Bandmasters' Association

2020 – 2025

Adjudicator: Solo and Ensemble - Woodwinds

Armwood High School; Seffner, FL

2020 & 2022

Site Host; Florida Bandmasters Association District 7 Middle School Eastern Music
Performance Assessment; Florida Orchestra Association District 7 High School
Orchestra Music Performance Assessment

Florida Bandmasters' Association District 7; Tampa, FL

2018

Clinician: Jazz Ensemble Music Performance Assessment

Paul R. Wharton High School; Tampa, FL

2014 – 2016

Woodwind Caption Head

Fort Pierce Central High School; Ft. Pierce, FL

2012 – 2014

Woodwind Caption Head

Private Saxophone Instructor

2008 – present

Freelance Saxophonist

2008 – present

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

College Board Summer Institute: Advanced Placement Music Theory 2019

Art of Wind Band Conducting; University of Texas at Austin 2017

Jerry Junkin
Richard Floyd
Donald Schleicher

Northeast Conducting Workshop; Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY 2017

Christopher Hughes
Allan McMurray

Kansas City Conducting Symposium Steven D. Davis Jamie Nix Daniel Schmidt	2016
Northeast Conducting Workshop; Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY Stephen Peterson Kevin Sedatole	2015
Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic; Chicago, IL	
Jamey Aebersold Summer Jazz Workshops; Louisville, KY 2009-2010 Steve Davis, Antonio Hart, Thomas Walsh, Gene Walker	
International Association for Jazz Education Conference; Toronto, Ontario	2008

AWARDS, GRANTS AND RECORDINGS

Conducting Fellow – The U.S. Army “Pershing’s Own” Conducting Workshop	2026
Reynolds Institute Conducting Fellow – The Midwest Clinic	2025
NEXT Graduate Fellowship – University of Cincinnati	2023 - 2026
Florida Music Educators’ Association Conference – Armwood High School Jazz Ensemble Featured Ensemble - 2021	
Clementi Holder Travel Award – University of Georgia	2017
Graduate Chamber Project – University of Georgia	2017
Reverend Barry & The Funk ❑ Saxophonist and Arranger on <i>SxyGdLuv (2016)</i> ❑ Baritone Saxophonist on <i>A Thousand Lives We’ve Lived (2020)</i>	2015 - 2022
The Andrew Allen Trio ❑ Saxophonist on <i>Secret Identity (2014)</i>	2014 - 2016

❑ Saxophonist on *Live! From the Cantina (2015)*

Distinguished Minority Educator of the Year 2013
Forest Grove Middle School

Outstanding First Year Educator 2012
Forest Grove Middle School

Undergraduate Research Travel Grant – University of South Florida 2009, 2010

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity of America, Inc
National Association for Music Education
National Band Association
Florida Bandmasters' Association (Affiliate)
Collegiate Band Directors' National Association
Kappa Kappa Psi National Band Fraternity, INC (Honorary)

REFERENCES

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