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Education

Master of Music in Wind Conducting, magna cum laude

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville,

May. 2022

Bachelor of Music in Music Theory/Composition, magna cum laude

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

Dec. 2019

University Teaching Experience

Music Technology Instructor

Department of Music, Southwestern Illinois College, 2022-present

- Taught various music technology courses in studio maintenance, hardware, software, and recording techniques.
- Taught additional courses on music literature, histories, and business.
- Restructure the degree/curriculum for a music tech. Associates degree and certificate
- Primary educational goals include research literacy, critical listening skills, and thoughtful oration

Music Theory/Composition Assistant

Department of Music, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, 2020-2022

- Taught Foundations of Music (MUS124) for music minors and non-musician undergraduates.
- Developed syllabi for both in-person and online learning.
- Crafted unique lectures, assignments, and introductory ear training to accommodate the needs of a differentiated learning environment.
- Prepared to fill in for theory I and II in the event of the instructor's absence.

Additional Teaching Competencies

Music Theory/Composition

- General undergraduate music theory, ear training, and sight reading as well as orchestration, analysis, and counterpoint.
- Applied composition lessons.

Percussion

- Studied percussion at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville for two years, playing in percussion ensemble, orchestra, concert band, and wind symphony.

- Studied Jazz drumming at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville for one year, playing in multiple jazz ensembles.

Selected Composition Studies

Dr. Kimberly Archer, Professor of Composition
Southern Illinois University, 2015-Present

Jason Waddell, Professor of Music
Lincolnland Community College, 2012-2014

Selected Composition Master Classes

Lora Al-Ahmad, Pianist/Composer
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, 2021

Dr. David Gillingham, Composer
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, 2020

Dr. Libby Larson, Composer
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, 2019

Selected Percussion Master Classes

Dr. Michael Barrett, Percussionist
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, 2018

Black Swamp Percussion, manufacturer
Zeeland, MI. 2018

Music Festivals

The Midwest Clinic
Chicago, Illinois, 2021 & 2022

**Oxford Conducting Institute's
International Conducting Studies Conference**
Remote, 2021

Percussive Arts Society International Convention
Indianapolis, Indiana, 2017

Honors, Awards, and Scholarships

American Prize Finalist in Conducting & Composition
2022

Nathan Jatcko Memorial Scholarship
January, 2020

Mark Gerdelman Honors Award in Musical Composition
January, 2018

The Myra Lee Rogier Lesiak Memorial Scholarship
August, 2017

Professional Associations

Percussive Arts Society

Society for Composers

Audio Engineering Society

References

Dr. Kimberly Archer, Professor of Composition
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
(618)650-3532, karcher@siue.edu

Dr. Darryl Coan, Professor of Music
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
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Claude Lumley, Music Technology Instructor
Southwestern Illinois College
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Dr. Rubén Darío Gómez, Director of Bands
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
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