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EDUCATION

Doctor of Musical Arts | University of Houston

AUG 2021 – PRESENT

Katherine G. McGovern Graduate Tuition Fellowship, Graduate Thesis Competition Scholarship, Study Abroad Scholarship, National Society of Leadership and Success, Phi Sigma Pi Honors Fraternity, Cullen Travel Grant

Master of Arts Leadership | University of Houston

JAN 2022 – PRESENT

Katherine G. McGovern Graduate Tuition Fellowship, Graduate Thesis Competition Scholarship, Study Abroad Scholarship, National Society of Leadership and Success, Phi Sigma Pi Honors Fraternity, Cullen Travel Grant

Master of Music | Boston Conservatory at Berklee

SEP 2019 – MAY 2021

Teresa-Koster Scholar, Conservatory Scholarship

Bachelor of Music | Truman State University

AUG 2015 – MAY 2019

Cum Laude; Presser Scholar; Phi Mu Alpha Scholastic Student; Academic University Scholarship; Music Scholarship; President's Leadership Scholarship; Combined Ability Scholarship; Hearst Fine Arts Scholarship; TREND Scholarship; Helen Fitzgerald Scholarship; Nottleman Music Scholarship; Private Scholarship

EDUCATION AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Music Instructor | Donald Rabin Music Studios | Houston, Texas |

AUG 2015 - PRESENT

- Marketing and Engagement through distribution of collateral throughout Houston Metropolitan musician audience.
- Educate students on fundamental performance techniques, practice techniques, theory, ear training, and music history.
- Manage schedules, communicate with clients, and arrange payment methods.
- *100-Day Practice Challenge Program*; donations (\$1000) for prizes were collected to encourage students to learn how to create their own YouTube Channel, edit videos, upload 1-minute practice videos, and incorporate technology in practice.

Tomball ISD Fine Arts Clinician | Tomball Schools | Tomball, Texas |

FEB 2024 - PRESENT

- Organize curriculum outlining fundamental flute techniques for students ages 10-18.
- Coordinate with administration and fine arts faculty on fine arts related projects and events.
- Facilitate lessons regarding instrumental knowledge and skills that enhance student success.

Montgomery ISD Fine Arts Clinician | Montgomery Middle School | Montgomery, Texas |

OCT 2023 - PRESENT

- Organize curriculum outlining fundamental flute techniques for students ages 11-14.
- Coordinate with administration and fine arts faculty on fine arts related projects and events.
- Cater instrumental knowledge and skills to enhance each student's success.

Conroe ISD Fine Arts Clinician | Peet Junior High | Conroe, Texas |

OCT 2023 - PRESENT

- Create mock audition experience for students auditioning for Texas Music Educator Association ensembles.
- Educate flutists on techniques, exercises, and repertoire to enhance their musicianship and artistry.
- Share educational resources with students to provide them with tools to learn on their own.

New Caney ISD Fine Arts Clinician | Porter High School | New Caney, Texas |

JULY 2023 - PRESENT

- Create mock audition experience for students auditioning for Texas Music Educator's All State ensembles.
- Educate flutists on techniques, exercises, and repertoire to enhance their musicianship and artistry.
- Share educational resources with students to provide them with tools to learn on their own.

Mentor | Berklee | Boston, MA |

MAY 2022 - PRESENT

- Cultivate positive learning and dissemination of knowledge to graduates of Berklee with mentorship and career discussions.
- Support graduates with resources, advice, and proactive approaches to establishing their career in the arts.

Masterclass Clinician | Porter High School | Houston, Texas |

JULY 2023

- Create mock audition experience for students auditioning for Texas Music Educator's All State ensembles.
- Educate flutists on techniques, exercises, and repertoire to enhance their musicianship and artistry.
- Share educational resources with students to provide them with tools to learn on their own.

Woodwind Coach | University of Houston Cougar Band Camp | Houston, Texas |

JUNE 2023

- Support masterclass faculty with scores, sectional spots, and directions from directors.
- Teach high school participants if masterclass faculty are unable to attend masterclasses.
- Discuss and answer questions regarding performance practices, professional experiences, and relevant topics to the arts.

Masterclass Clinician | West Lake Middle School | Houston, Texas |

AUG 2021 – FEB 2022

- Create a curriculum for students ages 12-14 invested in becoming classically trained musicians.
- Host masterclasses, mock auditions, and teach fundamentals to students in a group setting.
- Inform students on the art of performance, practice, and embracing artistry.

Flute Faculty | The Prodigy Program | Boston, Massachusetts |

SEP 2020 – DEC 2021

- Create an invigorating online learning experience for virtual lessons (assign materials and create engaging events).
- Encourage a growth mindset by developing an understanding of practice methods.
- Host an online recital to introduce performance techniques.

Substitute Woodwind Instructor | **Beaver Country Day School** | **Newton, Massachusetts** | NOV 2019 – MAY 2021

- Lead lectures and masterclasses for woodwind instruments
- Assist students ages 12-14 on performative practice techniques for quality performances.

Music Instructor | **Noteworthy-Experiences Music Studios** | **Boston, Massachusetts** | SEP 2019 – JAN 2021

- Recruit students from the residential areas by distributing business cards, flyers, and posting on social media.
- Organize masterclasses, online performance opportunities, and provide practice tips.
- Manage schedules, communicate with clients, and create invoices.

General Music Instructor | **Hamilton-Garrett Music Academy** | **Boston, Massachusetts** | SEP 2019 – JAN 2021

- Assist students in beginning piano, music theory, and ear training.
- Work in a low socioeconomic area with diverse students from various ethnic and racial backgrounds.

Music Instructor | **Music and Arts** | **Boston, Massachusetts** | SEP 2019 – NOV 2020

- Recruit students from the residential areas by distributing business cards, flyers, and posting on social media.
- Educate students on performance techniques, practice techniques, theory, ear training, and music history.
- Manage schedules, communicate with clients, and arrange payment methods.

Graduate Assistant Music History | **Berklee** | **Boston, Massachusetts** | SEP 2019 – MAY 2021

- Host a lecture for undergraduate students by creating presentations, assignments, exams, and homework.
- Communicate with Faculty regarding student's progress, materials for discussion, and attendance.
- Grade student's assignments, exams, essays, presentations, and monitor participation/attendance.

Music Theory/Aural Skills Tutor | **Berklee** | **Boston, Massachusetts** | SEP 2019 – JAN 2021

- Provide undergraduate students with supplemental training for their Music Theory and Aural Skills required courses.
- Develop strategies for understanding information and use problem-solving strategies to solve misunderstandings.
- Collect materials for educational purposes to aid in the promotion of positive student experiences.

Music Theory/Aural Skills Mentor | **Truman State University** | **Kirkville, Missouri** | AUG 2017 – MAY 2019

- Assist freshman and sophomore students with theory and aural skills classes.
- Develop strategies for understanding information and use problem-solving strategies to solve misunderstandings.
- Create exams for interval training, melodic and rhythmic dictation.
- Mentor underclassmen on procedures, techniques for success, and strategies to navigate college atmosphere.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND ARTS LEADERSHIP

Staging Manager | **National Flute Association** | **Houston, Texas** | APR 2023 – PRESENT

- Assist in the organization of a national convention alongside Program Chair and Convention Director.
- Organize staging plans and transitions to communicate and manage interns assisting with Gala Concert performances.
- Communicate with world-renowned artists on crucial details that will affect their desired performance ideals.

Communications Director | **ConTempo Arts Houston** | **Houston, Texas** | APR 2024 – PRESENT

- Program interdisciplinary performances in collaboration with three founding organizational artists.
- Utilize Canva, Instagram, Facebook, Adobe Photoshop, and other social media platforms for promotional materials.

Arts and Health Fellow | **Mitchell Center at University of Houston** | **Houston, Texas** | AUG 2022 – JUNE 2023

- Establish the foundation and strategic vision of the first Arts and Health Fellowship program at the University of Houston
- Research common health trends, health equity, project management, health determinants, and underserved audiences.
- Create a Fellow's Guide containing information for the development and implementation of the program.
- Project Manage *Creative Drama for Mental Wellness* to expose Houston Community members on mental health resources.

Interdisciplinary Fellow | **Mitchell Center at University of Houston** | **Houston, Texas** | AUG 2022 – JUNE 2023

- Curate Convergence Research performances (6) by artists in all disciplines at the Kathrine McGovern College of the Arts.
- Communicate/Coordinate between the Blaffer Art Museum and Mitchell Center about artist walk-throughs, performance summaries, social media promotion, and exhibition tours.
- Coordinate with students from all disciplines and establish connections that encourage cross-disciplinary collaboration.
- Grow program through the development of networking and marketing strategies to engage students cross-college.

Community-Embedded Fellow | **Houston Symphony** | **Houston, Texas** | AUG 2022 – JUNE 2023

- Perform and organize programs with Community-Embedded Musicians to encourage wider audience outreach.
- Collaborate with Rice University Fellow on Community Programming and Development
- Establish connections with community entities for outreach performances
- Perform as an Outreach Musician for children at Texas Children's Hospital

Project Manager | **Come Together Houston - University of Houston** | **Houston, Texas** | FEB 2022 – AUG 2022

- Organize and execute an Arts & Health performance series with professional artists (GONZO247, Outspoken Bean, UH Mariachi Pumas, and Urban Souls) to educate the Houston Community
- Work with the CDC Foundation, Houston Health Department, Houston City Mayor's Office, and Directors of several organizations in Houston to coordinate space usage, advertisement, and awareness of the program
- Present project with a nationwide cohort composed of Art Organization Directors from across the United States

- Presentations of project were displayed/promoted in the *Houston Arts Journal*, *CDC Foundation Magazine*, the *Texas Arts and Culture Review*, and the *CDC Museum: A Smithsonian Institution*

Director | Uniting America Concert | Houston, Texas | MAR 2021 – PRESENT

- Assemble and lead a national team of artists to create a virtual philanthropic concert experience.
- Work with graphic designer, broadcast team, website developer, program creator, non-profit organizations, and artists.
- Host and promote experience by speaking to media, artists, schools, and orchestras nation-wide
- Premiere a two night philanthropic artistic event dedicated to showcase artists from all 50 states

Collegiate Ambassador | Boston Symphony Orchestra | Boston, Massachusetts | SEP 2019 – FEB 2020

- Represent the organization/ensemble at community engagement events in the metropolitan Boston area.
- Coordinate with Education Department to distribute programs, work ticket sales, and other administrative duties.

LEADERSHIP

Graduate Professional Student Association, Rep | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | AUG 2023 – PRESENT

- Represent the est. 9000 Graduate/Professional Students of the University of Houston among the elected body of University of Houston College Graduate Representatives, Faculty Senate, and University Administration.
- Appoint GPSA College representatives across the 12 Graduate Colleges at the University of Houston.
- Serve graduate students by encouraging participation in collaborative projects that will positively impact Earth.

GPSC and RSC Health Insurance Committee | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | FEB 2024

- Represent the Graduate/Professional Students on the Faculty Health Insurance Committee to advocate for full coverage of an essential need for the community.
- Assist with research and other information pertaining to health insurance coverage for the graduate student body.

Faculty Student Affairs Committee, Rep | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | AUG 2023 – PRESENT

- Represent the Graduate/Professional Students on the Student Affairs committee.
- Review student grant applications and provide feedback on grant questions and clarify answers.

Cougar Camerata, President/Conductor | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | NOV 2023 – PRESENT

- Conduct and represent the first student-run conducting orchestra at the University of Houston.
- Structure constitution, agendas, organizational documents, and foundational documents for organization.
- Establish connections with faculty, administrators, and center for student involvement.

Graduate Professional Student Association, Rep | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | AUG 2022 – MAY 2023

- Represent the Graduate/Professional Students of the College of the Arts among the elected body of University of Houston College Graduate Representatives.
- Review student grant applications for awards processing.
- Communicate with Dean of Graduate Studies, ProVosts, and administration with proposals for grad students.
- Participate in the President's Roundtable to discuss student issues at the institution.

MSM Director Search Committee Member | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | JUN 2022 – DEC 2022

- Represent the Moores School of Music Student Body by discussing issues of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Access, Belonging, Justice, current events, post-pandemic mindsets, and school-related issues with Director Applicants
- Interview, review, and modify applicant pool of interested candidates.
- Attend candidates' lectures, presentations, donor networking events, and faculty/student engagement activities.

Director's Council, Rep | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | JAN 2022 – DEC 2022

- Work directly with like-minded students and the administration to reform, reevaluate, and discuss the atmosphere/curriculum of the Moores School of Music.
- Communicate with administration concerning student thoughts and concerns relevant to the program.
- Compile evidence and research similar institutions to establish stronger program health.

Dean's Council | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | SEP 2022 – DEC 2022

- Work directly with like-minded students and the administration to reform, reevaluate, and discuss the atmosphere/curriculum of the Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts programs.
- Communicate with the Dean of the College by expressing student thoughts and concerns relevant to the program.
- Organize events and initiatives that reflect community, artistry, and awareness of issues in society.

Guest Speaker, Arts Integration Conference | A2RU | Ann Arbor, Michigan | JUN 2022

- Participate in a discussion led by Founders of the Creative Generation Arts Non-Profit.
- Discuss the future of arts education for the 21st century artist in front of Deans, Presidents of major corporations and Universities, former Directors of the National Endowment of the Arts, and Arts Advocacy Entities.
- Promote modern student perspective and how the arts will hopefully reflect philanthropic endeavors in the future.

Strategic Planning Task Force, Student Rep | University of Houston | Houston, Texas | SEP 2021 – JAN 2022

- Collaborate with Directors, Faculty, Staff, and peers to create a five-year strategic plan for the College of the Arts.
- Provide student perspective for the objectives of emerging artists and issues that are prominent in the College

- Discuss future goals, initiatives, and implementation processes that reflect modern day artistry.

Student Council Representative, Music Division | Berklee | Boston, Massachusetts | SEP 2019 – MAY 2021

- Reform, reevaluate, and discuss the curriculum of the Boston Conservatory at Berklee music program.
- Communicate with administration concerning student thoughts and concerns relevant to the program.

President, Flute Society at Berklee | Berklee | Boston, Massachusetts | DEC 2020 – MAY 2021

- Collaborate with a team of flutists working to establish a wide variety of education for Berklee flutists.
- Connect with musicians from the United States to deliver masterclasses, presentations, and other relevant topics.
- Create a virtual and in-person experience that is valuable for development of musicianship.
- Organize meeting with leadership team to create an agenda, constitution, and event meetings.

Vice President, Flute Society at Berklee | Berklee | Boston, Massachusetts | DEC 2020 – MAY 2021

- Collaborate with a team of flutists working to establish a wide variety of education for Berklee flutists.
- Connect with musicians from the United States to deliver masterclasses, presentations, and other relevant topics.
- Assist the President with any miscellaneous work: notetaking, coordinating events, distributing agendas, etc.

Director, Woodwind Choir | Truman State University | Kirksville, Missouri | AUG 2018 – MAY 2019

- Organize, recruit, and collaborate with volunteer musicians throughout the university.
- Create a concert program, constitution, and budget with an established team.
- Host interviews for candidates interested in positions for future seasons of the Woodwind Choir.

Director, Phi Mu Alpha Music | Truman State University | Kirksville, Missouri MAR 2017 – MAR 2018

- Conduct and rehearse the Men’s Choir by planning repertoire and rehearsal items.
- Create and organize community service events revolving around music related activities. These events include: Symphony in Kirksville Day, Mills Music Mission (Community Concerts), JazzFest, and Outreach Performances
- Adjudicate auditions and organize the Barbershop Quartet (performs for the Kirksville and Truman community).

Asst. Director, Woodwind Choir | Truman State University | Kirksville, Missouri | AUG 2017 – MAY 2018

- Organize, recruit, and collaborate with volunteer musicians throughout the university.
- Create a concert program, constitution, and budget with an established team.
- Host interviews for candidates interested in positions for future seasons of the Woodwind Choir.

INTERNSHIPS AND RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Community Assistant | The Icon (Asset Living) | Houston, Texas | JUN 2023 – OCT 2023

- Communicate with Icon Residents about maintenance, financial, and community-oriented issues.
- Assist management with daily tasks: phone calls, meetings, moving procedures/protocols.
- Embrace creative energy through the creation of posters and events for Residents.

Equipment Intern | National Flute Association | Salt Lake City, UT | AUG 2019

- Coordinate with the Equipment Manager to assist with technology concerns and questions among NFA attendees.
- Discuss materials and needed equipment with collaborative artists.
- Collaborate with other technology interns to assess stand audits, equipment care, and maintenance related needs.

Inventory Technology Intern | Mehlville School District | Oakville, MO | MAY 2015 – JUL 2017

- Inventory Technology within the entirety of the Mehlville School District (12 public schools).
- Utilize processing systems such as Microsoft Excel, Inventory Input Programs, and Google Sheets.
- Manage team development and team building exercises with the inventory crew.

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

- The Heights Church, *ConTempo Arts Houston* APR 2024
- Blaffer Art Museum, *Convergence Research Performer* JAN 2024
- Houston Grand Opera, *Madam Butterfly Supernumerary* JAN 2024
- Brava Artist Series, *Guest Artist Performer* DEC 2023
- Texas Symphonic Ballet, *Second Flute* DEC 2023
- Denisse-Jennings Honors Recital, *Competition Winner* JUN 2023
- Purple Songs Can Fly, *Performing Artist* FEB 2023 – CURRENT
- Texas Children’s Hospital, *Community Outreach Performer* FEB 2023 – CURRENT
- National Flute Association Young Artist Mentorship Program, *Participant* FEB 2023 – CURRENT
- Houston Symphony Community-Embedded Musician, *Fellow* AUG 2022 – JUN 2023
- A2RU Emerging Artist for University of Houston, *Representative* MAR 2023
- Cortona Sessions, *Performance Fellowship* JUN 2023
- The Elements: Conserving Our Planet Recital I – Water Conservation, *Soloist* JAN 2022
- Virtuosi Orchestra of Houston, *Co-Principal Flute* SEP 2021 – CURRENT

- Saving Classical Music Performer, *Flutist* JUN 2023
- Texas Music Festival, *Alternate* JUN 2021
- German Television Show “Happy Thoughts”, *Performer* MAR 2020
- A2RU Emerging Artist for University of Houston, *Representative* MAR 2023
- “SkyBlossom” NBC Documentary Orchestra, *Principal Flute* MAY 2020
- Berklee Contemporary Orchestra, *Principal Flute* SEP 2019 – MAY 2020
- Berklee Film Score Orchestra, *Flutist* SEP 2019 – MAY 2020
- Freisinger Chamber Orchestra, *Flutist* SEP 2019 – MAY 2020
- Boston Civic Orchestra, *Flutist* SEP 2019 – MAY 2020
- Brookline Symphony Orchestra, *Flutist* SEP 2019 – MAY 2020
- Missouri Symphony, *Second Flute* JUN 2019
- Masterworks Summer Festival Symphony Orchestra, *Principal Flute* JUN 2019
- Eastern Music Festival, *Alternate* JUN 2019
- Cartago Band of Costa Rica, *Second Flute* MAY 2017

ADJUDICATION EXPERIENCE

- Houston Flute Club Young Artist Senior/Junior Competition APR 2024
- Houston Flute Club Dennise Jennings Flute Competition (8C) APR 2024
- Klein ISD High School Solo and Ensemble FEB 2024
- Texas Region 7 Band Preliminary Auditions OCT 2023
- Northeast Missouri Region Middle School Solo and Ensemble FEB 2019

ACCOLADES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Legacy and Leadership Awards Nominee, *University of Houston* MAR 2024
- Mehlville School District Alumni Spotlight, *Nominee* JAN 2024
- Truman State Echo 25 Alumni Award, *Nominee/Recipient* AUG 2023
- Graduate Student Orientation Panelist, *University of Houston* AUG 2023
- Denisse-Jennings Graduate, Professional, Adult Competition, *First Place* APR 2023
- Cortona Sessions, *Performance Fellowship* JUN 2023
- National Flute Association Young Artist Mentorship Program, *Participant* FEB 2023
- A2RU Emerging Artist for University of Houston, *Representative* MAR 2023
- Masterworks Honors Recital, *Performer* JUL 2020
- The Art of Winds International Competition, *First Prize* NOV 2019
- Masterworks Honors Recital, *Performer* JUN 2019
- Missouri Symphony Conducting Festival, *Conductor* JUN 2019
- Truman State Wind Symphony Soloist, *Guest Performer* MAY 2019
- Truman Music Department Honors, *Honors Recipient* MAY 2019
- Academic Honors, Vice-President’s List (3.5-3.99 GPA) MAY 2019
- ENKOR International Competition, *Third Prize* APR 2019
- Southern Illinois Young Artist Competition, *Second Prize* APR 2019
- Conductor Gold Medal Concert, *Student Conductor* MAR 2019
- Naftzger Advanced Musician Competition, *Semi-Finalist* FEB 2019
- Academic Honors, President’s List (4.0 GPA) DEC 2018
- MTNA Alternate State Representative, *Alternate* NOV 2018
- Grand Virtuoso International Competition, *First Prize* NOV 2018
- Sigma Alpha Iota Scholarship Competition, *Grand Prize* OCT 2018
- Academic Honors, President’s List (4.0 GPA) AUG 2018
- National Society of Arts and Letters Competition, *Finalist* MAY 2018
- Hearts Fine Arts Scholarship, *Recipient* APR 2018
- NSAL STL Competition, *First Prize* FEB 2018
- Flute Society of Saint Louis, *Masterclass Winner* FEB 2018
- Academic Honors, Vice-President’s List (3.5-3.99 GPA) DEC 2017
- Missouri Music Teacher’s Association, *Honorable Mention* NOV 2017
- Academic Honors, Vice-President’s List (3.5-3.99 GPA) DEC 2016

- Gold Medal Concerto Competition, *Winner*
- Academic Honors, Vice-President's List (3.5-3.99 GPA)
- Wind Symphony Concerto Competition, *Winner*

NOV 2016
MAY 2016
NOV 2015

SKILLS

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| • Microsoft Office | • Google Software | • Imaging | • YouTube Live |
| • OBS Studio | • LogiPro | • GarageBand | • iMovie |
| • Audacity | • Video/WavePad | • Adobe | • DaVinci Resolve |
| • Flute/Piccolo | • Clarinet/Saxophone | • Beginner Piano | • Diversity Training |
| • Conducting | • Leadership Training | • Communication | • Social Media |
| • Mentorship Training | | | |