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EDUCATION

Boston University
Doctor of Musical Arts in Music Education

Boston, Massachusetts
A.B.D. Expected Aug. 2026

Illinois State University
Master of Music Education
Bachelor of Music Education

Normal, Illinois
May 2023
May 2014

Harlem High School
High School Diploma

Machesney Park, Illinois
May 2008

LICENSURE

Professional Educators License (K-12 Music Endorsement)

IEIN#: 1008504

State of Illinois

May 2014 – present

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Illinois Wesleyan University
Area Head of Music Education

Bloomington, Illinois
Aug. 2023 – present

- Teaching:
 - MUS 333A: Instrumental Ensemble Methods
 - MUS 232: Elementary General Music Methods
 - MUS 132: Foundations and Principles of Music Education
 - MUS 427: Practicum
 - MUS 497A: Student Teaching
 - MUS 015X: Experiencing Live Music
 - GW 100: Gateway Freshman Writing Course: Education in America
- Administrative Duties:
 - Academic Advisor for music education students
 - Faculty sponsor for IWU chapter of the Illinois Collegiate Music Education Association
 - Placement coordinator and supervisor for student teachers and practicum students
 - Department representative for Teacher Education Program
- University and Departmental Service
 - Council for University Programs and Policies (Spring 2024)
 - Met with and interviewed finalists seeking the position of University President
 - Assessed University department staffing needs
 - Reviewed departmental requests for contingent and non-contingent positions
 - Curriculum and Assessment Committee (Aug. 2025 – Present)
 - Worked on implementing a new recital requirement for Music Education students
 - IWU Program Advisor for Longy Entrance Program Partnership (March 2024 – present)

- Collaborated with IWU administrators, marketing personnel, and faculty at Longy School of Music at Bard College to form and maintain the Longy Entrance Program (LEP) for students who want to enroll in Illinois Wesleyan B.M.E. in Music Education and continue into the Longy Online Master of Music in Music Education Program.
- Recruitment Committee (Aug. 2024 – May 2025)
 - Conduct outreach and recruitment visits to area high schools
 - Attend Illinois and other state music ed conferences as an IWU representative
 - Host School of Music Open House and audition days
 - Monitor applications for prospective music education students
 - Contact prospective students to encourage enrollment at IWU
- Search Committee for a School of Music Administrative Specialist (Fall 2023)
 - Vetted and discussed resumes of applicants
 - Participated in Zoom and in-person interviews
- Industry/Post-Grad Ad Hoc Committee
 - Collaborated with faculty from School of Art and School of Theatre Arts
 - Put together a comprehensive list of opportunities and careers in the Fine Arts
- Wind Ensemble participation (Aug. 2023 – present)
 - Teach brass and percussion sectionals as needed
 - Substitute in the horn section as needed
 - Guest conducted “Brigid’s Cross” by Jerod Hall on a concert (2/28/25)
- Played bagpipes for 2024 IWU Veteran’s Day Ceremony
- Engaged with alumni at the College of Fine Arts Homecoming event
- Participated in the Festival of the Arts Weekend by playing horn and engaging with alumni
- Conducted the balcony brass ensemble for the 2023 and 2024 Choral Christmas concerts

Illinois State University

Student Teaching Supervisor

Normal, Illinois

Jan. 2023 – May 2023

- Observed teaching and provided feedback
- Responded to weekly reflections
- Assessed progress formally and informally
- Conferenced regularly with student teacher and cooperating teacher

Supervisor, School of Music Peer Mentorship and Outreach Program

Dec. 2022 – May 2023

- Managed five School of Music undergraduate peer mentors
- Planned on-campus programs to support current ISU music students
- Managed grant funds and reported expenses
- Planned off-campus outreach visits to support students at underserved schools
- Recruited ISU students and faculty to provide mentoring experiences in Chicago public schools
- Communicated and worked with music educators in Chicago public schools

Music Education Graduate Assistant

Aug. 2021 – May 2023

- Assisted MUS 261/271: Secondary Band/String Methods
- Assisted MUS 274: Elementary/Middle School Ensemble Methods
- Lectured on classroom management and sectional teaching strategies
- Supervised undergraduates in the clinical setting and offered feedback
- Graded homework assignments and offered feedback
- Attended student teaching seminars
- Assisted with preparations for the 2023 ISU Junior Honor Band

- Assisted with schools and guests visiting campus
- Tutored individual students in instrumental methods

Roanoke-Benson School District

Director of Bands

Roanoke, Illinois

Aug. 2015 – May 2021

- Directed 5th grade, 6th grade, 7th/8th grade, and high school bands
- Taught 4th grade general music
- Taught 5th–7th grade pull-out sectional lessons
- Planned all concerts and parades, pep band, and other performances
- Assisted with high school musical and madrigal performances
- Restructured parent music booster organization
- Planned fundraising events
- Facilitated participation in IESA/IHSA Organizational and Solo and Ensemble Contests
- Hosted IESA Solo and Ensemble Contest (March 2019 & 2020)
- Planned and hosted the Tri-County Conference Band Festival three times
- Planned and led a performance trip to Disney World for 70 students and chaperones
- Recruited 75% of the 5th grade class to join band each year
- Served as Junior High Scholastic Bowl Coach

Normal Community High School- Marching Ironmen

Assistant Marching Band Director

Normal, Illinois

2017 Season

- Facilitated full ensemble rehearsals and coached soloists
- Assisted with marching drill design
- Taught marching fundamental rehearsals and warmups
- Attended Bands of America regional competition in St. Louis, Missouri

Central Intermediate School

Director of Bands as Long-term Maternity Substitute

Washington, Illinois

Sept. 2014 – May 2015

- Directed 5th grade, 6th grade, and 7th/8th grade bands
- Directed an extra-curricular jazz band
- Taught 5th–8th grade pull-out sectional lessons
- Assisted with 4th grade general music
- Planned all parades, concerts, contests, and other performances

Illinois Valley Central High School -- Marching Grey Ghosts

Marching Band Staff

Chillicothe, Illinois

2012 – 2020 seasons

- Led marching fundamental rehearsals for the full ensemble
- Taught sectionals for mellophones, trumpets, and drum majors
- Assisted with full band instruction

Bloomington High School -- Marching Raiders

Marching Band Staff

Bloomington, Illinois

2011 – 2018 seasons

- Taught sectionals for mellophones
- Assisted with full band rehearsals

LEADERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIPS

Greater Midwest Pipe Band*Member**2025 – present***Cub Scout Pack 33***Recruitment Chair**2025 – present*

- Youth Protection and Committee Member Training
- Plan and run annual recruitment night
- Run recruitment table at back-to-school picnic
- Identify other recruitment opportunities
- Respond to inquiries from interested families
- Update pack information sheet annually
- Update pack website

For a Better Tomorrow*Steam Olympics Leadership Volunteer**2024 – present*

- Planned and facilitated the music station for the Steam Quest competition

Sons of the American Legion*Member and Honor Guard Musician**2020 – present***International Horn Society***Member**2022 – 2023***Milwaukee Scottish Pipe Band***Member/Musician**2021 – 2024*

- Performing member at competitions and performances

Celtic Cross Pipes and Drums*Pipe Major/President**2021 – present*

- Lead all rehearsals and performances
- Teach bagpipe lessons
- Maintain our non-profit organization status
- Arrange for guest instructors and workshops
- Maintain ensemble membership in the Midwest Pipe Band Association

*Event Coordinator**2021 – present*

- Schedule and plan all parades and performances
- Communicate the logistics and schedule for performances to band members
- Collect payment for performances
- Plan St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl, which raises \$10k annually

*Member/Musician**2018 – present*

- Performing member at competitions and performances

National Association for Music Education*Member**2015 – present*

Illinois Music Educators Association*Member**2015 – present***Roanoke-Benson Education Association***Member (Treasurer for 4 years)**2015 – 2021*

- Work with district bookkeeper to set up payroll deductions
- Monitored union membership (ex. opt-outs, retirees, new-hires)
- Created an annual budget
- Deposited all payroll deduction checks from the district
- Pay all bills from the Illinois Education Association

Normal First United Methodist Church*Building Sub-Committee Member**2019 – present*

- Discussed long-term facility planning for the church
- Hired an architectural firm to design building remodel plans
- Surveyed the congregation on opinions on our facility and its use

*Board of Trustees Member**2016 – 2019*

- Made decisions regarding church policies
- Managed the church's physical properties
- Made decisions regarding the church's financial resources
- Participated in strategic planning for the church

*Member**2013 – present***Rockford Burns Club***Member**2005 – present***Clan MacAlpine Pipes and Drums***Member/Musician**2005 – present*

- Performing member at banquets, parades, and community performances

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Whitman, S. D. (in progress). *The relationship between David Maslanka and the Illinois State University School of Music*. Presented at the NAfME National Conference Poster Session in Atlanta, GA, Sept. 2024; Illinois Music Education Conference Poster Session in Peoria, IL, Jan. 2024; Illinois State University Research Symposium in Normal, IL, April 2023.

Whitman, S. D. (2025). *Literature review: The effectiveness of traditionally structured undergraduate music education programs*. Presented at the Illinois Music Education Conference Poster Session in Peoria, IL, Jan. 2025.

Hash, P. M., & **Whitman, S. D.** (2021-2022). Text readability of introductory band and strings method books (2021-2022). With *Missouri Journal of Research in Music Education*, 58-59, 53-62. [published December 2023]. Presented at the NAfME National Conference Poster Session in Washington, D.C., Nov. 2022; Illinois Music Education Conference Poster Session in Peoria, IL, Jan. 2023.

ADJUDICATION, CLINICIAN, AND DRILL WRITING EXPERIENCE

Eureka High School*Marching Band Clinician*

Eureka, Illinois

*Sept. 2025***Disney II Magnet School (Chicago Public Schools)***Band Clinician*

Chicago, Illinois

*April 2025***Evans Junior High School***Band Clinician*

Bloomington, Illinois

*April 2025***Mossville Junior High School***Band Clinician*

Mossville, Illinois

*April 2024 & 2025***Illinois Grade School Music Association***Solo and Ensemble Contest Adjudicator*

Peoria, Illinois

*March 2022***Rockford East High School***Marching Band Drill Designer*

Rockford, Illinois

*2016 Season***Pleasant Plains High School***Marching Band Drill Designer*

Pleasant Plains, Illinois

*2015 Season***Deer Creek-Mackinaw High School***Marching Band Drill Designer*

Mackinaw, Illinois

2014 Season

NOTABLE PERFORMANCES

Mendota High School Band*Featured Horn and Bagpipe Soloist*

Mendota, Illinois

*February 2026***Rockford Burns Banquet***Featured Bagpipe Soloist*

Rockford, Illinois

*January 2024, 2026***Rose Parade***Performances with Pipes on Parade*

Pasadena, California

*January 2024***Peoria Pops Orchestra***Featured Bagpipe Soloist*

Peoria, Illinois

*March 2023***Illinois State University Symphony Orchestra***Principal Horn and Section Leader*

Normal, Illinois

*Aug. 2022 - May 2023***Elective Graduate Recital***Solo Horn Performance*

Normal, Illinois

*March 2023***International Horn Symposium**

Kingsville, Texas

*Performance with the Illinois State University Horn Choir
Illinois State University Symphonic Winds
Principal Horn and Section Leader*

*August 2022
Normal, Illinois
Aug. 2012 – May 2013*

Glassmen Drum and Bugle Corps
Performed and competed nation-wide for 3 seasons

*Toledo, Ohio
Nov. 2008 – Aug. 2011*