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Education	University of North Texas (UNT) - Denton, TX		2022 - Present
	Doctoral of Musical Arts - Trumpet Performance - ABD Following Spring 2025 Related Field - Performance & Pedagogy Primary Professors - Dr. Raquel Samayoa, Dr. Brian Walker & Kyle Sherman * Teaching Fellow & Teaching Assistant		
	University of North Texas (UNT) - Denton, TX		2020 - 2022
	Masters of Music - Trumpet Performance Related Field - Early Music & Baroque Trumpet Primary Professors - John Holt & Adam Gordon * Teaching Fellow		
Private Study	East Texas A&M University (Previously known as TAMUC) - Commerce, TX		2014 - 2019
	Bachelors of Music - Trumpet Performance Primary Professor - Dr. Daniel Kelly		
	Dr. Raquel Samayoa	University of North Texas - Associate Professor of Trumpet	2022 - Present
	Dr. Brian Walker	University of North Texas - Associate Professor of Trumpet	Present
Teaching Experience	Prof. Kyle Sherman	University of North Texas - Adjunct Professor of Trumpet	Present
	Prof. John Holt	University of North Texas - Professor of Trumpet	2020 - 2022
	Prof. Adam Gordon	University of North Texas - Baroque Trumpet	2020 - 2022
	Dr. Daniel Kelly	East Texas A&M University - Professor of Trumpet	2014 - 2019
	Masterclass Teacher for the Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra (GDYO)		2024 - Present
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · guide students toward successful orchestral performances · teach students from 9th to 12th grade · several students continued on to major in music 		
	UNT Trumpet Teaching Fellow		2021 - 2023
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · taught all levels of undergraduates as well as coaching graduate students · prepared students to study with major professors · placed students in Major UNT ensembles (jazz and classical) · guided students toward successful careers in music education 		
	Private Lesson Teacher for Rockwall ISD		2018 - 2024
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · taught private students from beginners to 12th grade · placed several students in the TMEA Area and All - State ensembles · students attain 1st division ratings in UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest · students continued playing music in college 		
	Private Lesson Teacher for Forney ISD		2018 - 2021
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · taught private students from beginners to 12th grade · placed several students in the TMEA Area and All - State ensembles · students attain 1st division ratings in UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest · students continued playing music in college 		
Masterclass Experience	Masterclass Teacher for the Dallas Winds		2019
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · taught students from beginners to 12th grade · several students continued on to major in music 		
	Private Lesson Teacher for Greenville ISD		2016 - 2017
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · taught private students from beginners to 12th grade · places several student in the TMEA Area ensembles · students attain 1st division ratings in UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest 		
	Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra Masterclass Teacher		2024
	Masterclasses for Prestonwood Christian Academy		2022 - Present
	All - State Masterclasses for Rockwall ISD		2018 - 2021
	All - State Masterclasses for Forney ISD		2018 - 2021
	Masterclass Teacher for Dallas Winds		2019

Outreach Experience	Study program and Tour with Czech Education Foundation of Texas in Czech <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Learned authentic Dechovka traditions and performing in Texas Czech Heritage festivals 	2024 - 2025
	Keller ISD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · performed outreach concerts to promote UNT and music education 	2025
	Aubrey ISD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · performed outreach concerts to promote UNT and music education 	2024
	Coppell ISD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · performed outreach concerts to promote UNT and music education 	2024
Academic Responsibilities	Assisted in Academically Advising Masters & DMA Students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Academically advise and mentore new and returning graduate students 	2024 - Present
	Hiring Committee for 2024 UNT Trumpet Professor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · In charge of student feedback · Conducted student interviews with candidates · Participated in committee meetings and candidate interviews 	2023
	UNT Teaching Assistant (Center Brass Quintet) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Member of the Center for Chamber Music Studies Brass Quintet · Run trumpet departmental · Run Dr. Samayoa's studio class · Perform outreach concerts · Perform recitals · Compete in chamber competitions 	2023 - Present
	UNT Teaching Fellow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · taught and advised 9-13 undergraduate trumpet students weekly · Ran trumpet departmental · Ran Dr. Samayoa's studio class 	2021 - 2023
Publications	International Trumpet Guild Journal CD Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 2025 Issue - Imaginings (Brass Arts Quintet) June 2025 Issue - Nightsongs (Matzen) March 2025 Issue - Book of Brass (Lyrebird Brass) January 2025 Issue - Dancing with the Sun (Klazek) October 2024 Issue - Sojourn (Palisade Trumpet Collective) June 2024 Issue - Core (Schoch) March 2024 Issue - Secret Messages (Nelson & Kolor) January 2024 Issue - Insieme (Sonus Brass Ensemble) October 2023 Issue - Gary Guthman (Guthman) 	2023 - 2025
Discography	Round Top Festival Institute Highlights	2025
	MahlerFest XXXVIII - Celebrating Peace & Resistance (Mahler 6)	2025
	MahlerFest XXXVII - Mahler & The Mountains (Mahler 4 & An Alpine Symphony by Strauss)	2024
	MahlerFest XXXVI - Mahler 2 & Musgraves	2023
	Respair - North Texas Wind Symphony	2023
	Closure - North Texas Wind Symphony	2023
Awards	Finalist at NOLA Chamber Fest with Center for Chamber Music Brass Quintet	2024
	Winner of the Large Ensemble Division at the National Trumpet Competition	2023
Performance Experience	Fort Worth Symphony	Present
	Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra - Utility / 4th Trumpet	Present
	Richardson Symphony	2023 - Present
	Round Top Festival Institute Orchestra	2025
	Colorado MahlerFest Orchestra	2023 - Present
	American Baroque Opera Company	2022 - Present
	Fresno Summer Orchestra & Opera Academy	2024
	Lone Star Wind Symphony	2024
	Miami Classical Music Festival Opera Orchestra	2023
	Harmonia Stellarum Baroque Ensemble	2023
	UNT Graduate Trumpet Ensemble at National Trumpet Competition	2022 - 2023
	Red River Lyric Opera Orchestra	2022
	Dallas Winds	2018

Solo Recitals	DMA Recital 3	2025		
	DMA Recital 2	2024		
	DMA Recital 1	2023		
	Masters Recital	2022		
	Senior Recital	2019		
	Junior Recital	2018		
Notable Performances	Principal Trumpet for Round Top Festival Institute - Pines of Rome, Pulcinella, etc.	2025		
	Featured Performer on the "Best of Chamber Music" at Round Top Festival Institute	2025		
	Handel's Messiah with St. Rita's Baroque Orchestra	2023 - 2024		
	UNT Wind Symphony at TMEA Conference	2023		
	UNT Graduate Trumpet Ensemble at NTC Conference	2022 - 2023		
	Handel's Messiah with Saint John's Baroque Orchestra	2022, 2024		
	Verdi's Requiem for the Highlander Concert Series	2022		
	TAMUC Trumpet Ensemble at ITG Conference	2019		
	TAMUC Choral & Faculty Brass Quintet at TMEA Conference	2019		
	TAMUC Wind Ensemble at TMEA Conference	2018		
	TAMUC Wind Ensemble Austria & Germany Performance Tour	2016		
	TAMUC Trumpet Ensemble at TMEA Conference	2015		
Collegiate Ensembles Band & Orchestra Chamber	UNT Symphony Orchestra & Opera Orchestra David Itkin - Conductor Stephanie Rhodes Russell - Conductor		2022 - 2025	
	UNT Wind Symphony Eugene Corporon - Conductor		2020 - 2024	
	UNT Baroque Orchestra Paul Leenhouts - Conductor		2021 - 2022	
	UNT Concert Orchestra Clay Couturiaux - Conductor		2021 - 2022	
	TAMUC Wind Ensemble Phillip Clements - Conductor		2015 - 2019	
	* Center for Chamber Music Brass Quintet	* Paid Position Dr. Raquel Samayoa & Dr. Stacie Mickens - Coaches	2023 - Present	
	UNT Graduate Trumpet Ensemble Caleb Hudson - Coach		2021 - 2023	
	UNT Brass Quintet Caleb Hudson & Dr. Stacie Mickens - Coaches		2022 - 2021	
	TAMUC Faculty Brass Quintet		2018 - 2019	
	TAMUC Trumpet Sextet - TrumpetSix		2018 - 2019	
	TAMUC Brass Choir & Ceremonial Brass Ensemble		2015 - 2019	
	Selected Masterclasses	*Marie Speziale Masterclass	*Postponed	2025
		Kevin Finamore Masterclass		2025
		John Kitzman Masterclass		2025
Ryan Gardner Masterclass			2025	
Joe Burgstaller Masterclasses			2024	
* Tine Thing Helseth Masterclass		*Postponed due to teacher illness	2024	
Ashley Hall - Tighe Masterclass			2024	
Russell Campbell Masterclass			2023	
Susan Rider Masterclass			2023	
Anne McNamara Masterclass			2023	
Brian Walker Masterclass			2023	
Seraph Brass Masterclass			2023	
Chris Coletti Masterclass			2023	
Festivals		Colorado MahlerFest		2023 - 2025
	Round Top		2025	
	Brevard Summer Institute & Festival		Accepted	
	Prague Summer Nights Music Festival		Accepted	
	Fresno Summer Orchestra & Opera Academy		2024	
	Miami Classical Music Festival		2023	
	Fresno Summer Orchestra & Opera Academy		Accepted	
	Red River Lyric Opera Festival		2022	

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