

TARYN O'KEEFE

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EDUCATION

- University of Washington** – Seattle, WA *(Anticipated Graduation Date: Jun 2017)*
Master of Arts, Music Education + WA State Teaching Certificate
Academic Achievements: Reynold's Music Scholarship, Out-of-State Graduate Fellow Stipend, Vice President of UW CNAfME Collegiate Chapter
- University of Hartford** – Hartford, CT *(May 2015)*
Bachelor of Music, Saxophone Performance (*Summa Cum Laude*)
Academic Achievements: 4-year Performing Arts scholarship, Dean's List for 5 semesters, President's List for 4 semesters, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Student Teacher, 9th – 12th Grade** *(Mar 2017 – Present)*
Juanita High School – Kirkland, WA
- Plans and conducts rehearsals for the Jazz Ensemble, Freshman Concert Band, Intermediate Symphonic Band, and Advanced Wind Symphony that reflect the WA State and National Standards for Performing Arts
 - Tutors individuals during the Guitar 1 and 2 class to provide differentiated instruction to work towards student needs
 - Designs and implements formal and informal assessments to gauge and improve student learning
 - Assisted in hosting the Northlake Band 1 Festival in March 2017, and will conduct in the Silverwood, ID "Music in the Parks" Festival (May 2017) and Central Washington University Jazz Festival (May 2017). These festivals also involved assisting in coordination of fundraising efforts
 - Will collaborate with the band, choir, and orchestra directors to prepare and conduct a summative end-of-year concert
- Student Teacher, K – 5th Grade** *(Mar – Jun 2015)*
Wilder Elementary – Woodinville, WA
- Planned and led general music lessons following Kodaly, Orff-Schulwerk, and Dalcroze method techniques to support developmentally appropriate learning
 - Incorporated multicultural music activities into planned curriculum to foster a culturally responsive education
 - Assisted in facilitating 4th and 5th grade choir rehearsals
- Education Representative Support** *(Aug – Oct 2017)*
Music & Arts – Washington State
- Traveled to 21 elementary schools in WA state and play-tested 1,495 students to assist in determining instrument selection
 - Negotiated instrument rental services and wrote rental contracts for guardians and music educators seeking extra support
- Certified Adjudicator** *(Sep 2011 – May 2015)*
Connecticut Music Educator's Association – Connecticut State
- Traveled to schools to adjudicate and place elementary, middle school, and high school music students in regional and state ensemble competitions around the state of Connecticut

ADDITIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of Washington Field Experiences and Teaching Practicums** *(Sep 2015 – Mar 2017)*
- Engaged in various cooperative and solo teaching opportunities throughout Seattle, WA facilitated by the UW music education department. Locations included Roosevelt High School, Seattle World School, Broadview Thomson K-8, Laurelhurst Elementary, Eckstein Middle School, and the University of Washington
- Hartt School Saxophone Studio Mentor** *(Sep 2013 – May 2014)*
University of Hartford – Hartford, CT
- Tutored and provided private lessons to peers in areas of saxophone performance including beginning and foundational skills, tone production, repertoire, and technique.

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

- Principal alto saxophone in the University of Washington Wind Ensemble *(Sep 2011 – Mar 2015)*
- Saxophonist in the Hartt Wind Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra, Pit Orchestra, Symphonic Band, and Saxophone Ensemble *(Sep 2011 – May 2015)*
- Coordinator and soprano saxophonist in the Resurgam Saxophone Quartet *(Sep 2011 – May 2015)*
- Reed doubler (saxophones, flute, and clarinet) for Ocean Professional Theatre Company in Barnegat, NJ *(May 2013 – Aug 2014)*