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EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin

Bachelor of Arts in Music, Composition

May 2020

Minor: Business

Additional Coursework in Engineering, 29 hours

Overall GPA: 3.64

EXPERIENCE

University Housing and Dining – Resident Assistant; Austin, TX

Aug. 2017 - Present

- Plan and implement social and educational programs according to the assessed needs of an assigned community
- Respond effectively to crisis or policy violations, including the report and documentation of such incidents
- Perform administrative desk duty and assist in the preparation and care of living areas for over 50 residents
- Ensure the well-being and comfort of residents by establishing meaningful relationships and resolving interpersonal issues

University of Texas Jazz Ensemble and Combos – Saxophonist; Austin, TX

Aug. 2016 - Present

- Coordinate and lead sectional rehearsals in anticipation of two university concert performances per semester
- Compose original works and prepare parts for premiere performances to audiences of over 100
- Contribute a positive work ethic and attendance over the course of regular full-ensemble rehearsals

Private Music Tutoring – *Self-employed*; Wichita Falls, TX

Aug. 2015 - July 2016, Summer 2017

- Tutored three to five young beginner and intermediate students in cello, piano, and theory studies
- Produced custom educational materials to suit each student's individual needs and goals
- Researched best pedagogical practices to exceptionally prepare students for foundational and competitive abilities

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

RTF 317 Short Film Soundtrack and Score - Client: Annika Horn, Director

Spring 2019

- Composed and recorded original music for a 10-minute short film to be screened at the Texas Union Film Festival
- Adapted and revised the soundtrack and score in accordance to the director's creative vision and feedback
- Mixed and edited recordings into a finished soundtrack using Logic Pro X

MUS 224G Orchestral Composition – Client: Wichita Falls Youth Symphony Orchestra

Fall 2017

- Collaborated with Board of Directors to establish a cohesive vision for one commissioned, commemorative work
- Composed an original, personalized orchestral piece to be rehearsed, performed, and premiered by student musicians
- Engraved and prepared a conductor full-score and individual parts using MakeMusic Finale

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Volunteer Chamber Orchestra – Co-Conductor, Cellist

Spring 2017 - Present

- Lead rehearsals in preparation of excellent community service performances in nursing homes, hospitals, and schools
- Assist with logistical issues of transportation, scheduling, and contacting to make performances possible

Resident Assistant Association – *Senator, Programming Committee*

Aug. 2017 - May 2018

- Planned and helped execute an annual banquet for over 200 Resident Assistants and University Housing staff
- Engaged with University Housing executives during biweekly panels to advocate for Resident Assistant needs

Residence Hall Council – *Public Relations*

Fall 2016 - Spring 2017

- Designed original marketing materials using Photoshop/InDesign to promote social programs for over 190 residents
- Collected and compiled resident thoughts and opinions through email polls and survey responses

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Computer Skills: MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Google Suite, Photoshop, InDesign, Logic Pro X, Ableton, MakeMusic Finale

Languages: Fluent in Spanish

Work Eligibility: Eligible to work in the U.S. with no restrictions