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CURRICULUM VITAE

Bachelor of Science—Theatre Teaching

EDUCATION

Emerson College Master of Fine Arts—Applied Theatre and Theatre Education

Boston, MA May 2025

Weber State University

Ogden, UT Minor: English Teaching

Cum Laude

December 2003

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls TX Assistant Professor

2025-present

• Courses:

- Dance for Theatre-Jazz: A beginning dance course that introduces students to the foundational and modern elements of Broadway Jazz dance, drawing inspiration from legendary choreographers. Students develop essential techniques, vocabulary, and skills at the beginning level.
- Movement I: A hands-on exploration of theatre movement theories and techniques.
 Emphasizing ensemble work, the course encourages expressive learning through the body and focuses on unlocking physical potential.
- Principles of Directing: An introductory course the explores the theories and methods of directing theatre. Key areas include text analysis, directing styles, collaboration with actors and designers, and the organization of a production. The course focuses on practical experience through scene work and equips students to confidently analyze, prepare, and direct a play.

Desert Pines High School, Las Vegas NV Theatre Educator

2020-2023

Courses:

- Theatre I: A beginning theatre course that covers fundamental acting techniques based on Stanislavski and Meisner methods, improvisation, character analysis, voice and movement, and an introduction to theatre history.
- Theatre II: An intermediate theatre course that expands on fundamental acting techniques, improvisation, character analysis, voice and movement, and introduces playwriting and script analysis. Introduction of Viewpoints, Laban, and Rasaboxes.
- Theatre III: An advanced theatre course with performance-focused instruction guiding students through collaborative playmaking and advanced character development.

- Students explore devised theatre, Shakespeare, auditioning techniques, and various acting styles.
- Theatre Tech: A hands-on class where students gain a comprehensive understanding of theatrical production. The course covers various areas including lighting design and execution, scenic design and construction, scenic painting, rigging, stage make-up, costuming, sound reinforcement, stage and house management, advertising, and script analysis.

Bingham High School, South Jordan UT Theatre Educator

2011-2020

• Courses:

- Theatre I: A beginning theatre course that covers fundamental acting techniques based on Stanislavski and Meisner methods, improvisation, character analysis, voice and movement, and an introduction to theatre history.
- o **Theatre II:** An intermediate theatre course that expands on fundamental acting techniques, improvisation, character analysis, voice and movement, and introduces playwriting and script analysis. Introduction of Viewpoints, Laban, and Rasaboxes.
- o **Theatre IV:** An advanced theatre course focused on auditioning techniques, advanced acting techniques, Shakespeare, script analysis, and directing. Students explore devised theatre and theatre for social change. Students produce and direct one-act plays as their culminating projects.
- Theatre Design: Introduction to elements of theatrical design. Students create costume and set designs for a full-length, main stage production, as well as learn and implement make-up design.
- Theatre for Young Audiences: An advanced theatre course focused on writing and producing a Theatre for Young Audiences play. Scripts are devised from popular children's books with a social justice aspect. Students travel to local elementary schools to perform.
- o **Film Studies:** Introduction to film appreciation and film history. Elements of film, such as screenplay, acting, production design, special effects, etc. are also explored. Student comprehension demonstrated through academic writing.
- Student Government: Focus on planning and executing assemblies, dances, and other events for the student body. Students plan and execute annual fundraisers for Make-A-Wish and other local charities, culminating in donations that total nearly \$100,000.
- English 10: This course develops reading comprehension, writing, listening, and speaking skills using literature and non-fiction texts. Students also explore additional strategies for effective communication.

Wahlquist Junior High, Ogden UT Theatre Educator

2003-2011

Courses:

- o **Drama 1:** A beginning theatre course that covers fundamental acting techniques based on Stanislavski method, improvisation, character analysis, voice and movement.
- o **Drama 2:** An intermediate theatre course that expands on fundamental acting techniques, improvisation, character analysis, voice and movement.
- O **Drama 3:** An advanced theatre course with performance-focused instruction guiding students through collaborative playmaking, theatre design, and advanced character

- development. Students produce a Theatre for Young Audiences play and travel to local elementary schools to perform.
- English 8: This course enhances language skills in reading, writing, discussion, and grammar. It includes instruction on writing informational, argumentative, and creative texts, as well as reading both fiction and nonfiction.
- Student Government: Focus on planning and executing assemblies, dances, and other events for the student body.

South Ogden Junior High, Ogden UT

2003-2004

Theatre Educator

Courses:

- o **Drama 1:** A beginning theatre course that covers fundamental acting techniques based on Stanislavski method, improvisation, character analysis, voice and movement.
 - o **Drama 2:** An intermediate theatre course that expands on fundamental acting techniques, improvisation, character analysis, voice and movement.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Central Square Theater Youth Underground, Cambridge MA

July-August 2024

• Six-week summer program for youth ages 14-18. Youth learn basic acting and theatrical skills while exploring social justice issues. Youth participate in a culminating devised performance reflecting a social justice issue they find impactful.

Emerson College-Transforming Narratives of Gun Violence, Boston MA

December 2023

• Devised performance addressing the impact of gun violence on our communities. Performance was in conjunction with Massachusetts Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence.

Kids Act Up-Ogden Musical Theatre, Ogden UT

The Diary of Anne Frank

June 2019

• Two-week summer camp for children ages 6-15. Children participated in games and workshops teaching basic acting skills culminating in a full musical production.

Youth Theatre at the U, University of Utah, Salt Lake City UT

June-August 2005

• Three-week summer camp for children in 4th-7th grades and a three-week program for youth in 8th -12th grades. Children participated in acting, dance, and design workshops culminating in a production showcase.

DIRECTING EXPERIENCE She Kills Monsters Desert Pines High School 2023 Almost, Maine Desert Pines High School 2021 The Odd Couple Bingham High School 2019 Ogden Musical Theatre Annie Get Your Gun 2018 Where Words Once Were Bingham High School 2018 Shrek: The Musical Bingham High School 2017 Bingham High School Nightwatch 2017 Bingham High School Who Will Carry the Word? 2016 Seven Brides for Seven Brothers Bingham High School 2015

Bingham High School

2015

Fools Beauty and the Beast Hairspray (assistant director) The Most Massive Woman Wins The Mystery of Edwin Drood (assistant director)		Bingham High School Bingham High School CenterPoint Legacy Theatre Weber State University Weber State University	2013 2011 2011 2003 2002			
DIRECTING/CHOREOGRAPHY EXPERIENCE						
The Lightning Thief You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown Children of Eden Crazy for You Urinetown Footloose Annie At the Hop: A Music Revue Schoolhouse Rock Live! Seussical the Musical Alice in Wonderland Brigadoon You Can't Stop the Beat: A Broadway Revue Grease: School Edition Seven Brides for Seven Brothers The Music Man Annie		Desert Pines High School Desert Pines High School Bingham High School Sugar Factory Playhouse Bingham High School Bingham High School Bingham High School Wahlquist Junior High School South Ogden Junior High School	2022 2022 2019 2019 2019 2013 2011 2010 2009 2009 2008 2008 2007 2006 2005 2004 2003			
CHOREOGRAPHY EX	CPERIENCE					
Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat The Sound of Music Kiss Me, Kate! Children of Eden		Ogden Musical Theatre CenterPoint Legacy Theatre Rodgers Memorial Theatre Northridge High School	2017 2014 2010 2009			
ACTING EXPERIENCE (Representative)						
How to Succeed in Business. The Music Man Evita Pirated! The Pajama Game Songs for a New World Beauty and the Beast A Christmas Carol Oklahoma! Nine Seven Brides Carousel	Ensemble Ensemble Ensemble Lydia Adams Poopsie Ensemble Enchantress Mrs. Cratchit Gertie Cummins Ilsa Sarah Ensemble	CenterPoint Legacy Theatre Rodgers Memorial Theatre Rodgers Memorial Theatre Rodgers Memorial Theatre Rodgers Memorial Theatre Utah Musical Theatre Rodgers Memorial Theatre Rodgers Memorial Theatre Rodgers Memorial Theatre Pavis Arts Council Weber State University Applause Dinner Theatre Weber State University	2013 2010 2009 2008 2007 2006 2005 2004 2004 2002 2001 2000			

DESIGN/TECHNICAL THEATRE EXPERIENCE

She Kills Monsters	Set/Costume/Light Design	Desert Pines High School	2023
The Lightning Thief	Set/Costume/Light Design	Desert Pines High School	2022
You're a Good Man, Charlie	Set/Costume/Light Design	Desert Pines High School	2022
Almost, Maine	Set/Costume/Light Design	Desert Pines High School	2021
Children of Eden	Set Design	Bingham High School	2019
The Diary of Anne Frank	Set/Costume Design	Bingham High School	2015
Honk!	Wardrobe Crew	Utah Musical Theatre	2003
You're a Good Man, Charlie	Assistant Stage Manager	Weber State University	2001
Lost in Yonkers	Wardrobe Crew	Utah Musical Theatre	2000
The Unsinkable Molly Brown	Wardrobe Crew	Utah Musical Theatre	2000
Anyone Can Whistle	Spotlight Operator	Weber State University	2000
42 nd Street	Wardrobe Crew	The Grand Theatre	1999

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant

Spring 2024

- Assistant to Lizzy Cooper Davis, Ph.D, Emerson College
 - Conduct research and compile an annotated bibliography on artists and organizations involved in arts-based work with current and formerly incarcerated individuals (both youth and adults). The bibliography focuses on organizations and artists, primarily in the US, and includes scholarly research on arts and reentry. The project encompasses a broad survey of the field and engages with peer-reviewed academic literature.

AWARDS AND HONORS

1 st Place Ensemble Scene	Utah Shakespearean Festival	2018, 2019
3 rd Place One Act	UHSAA State Theatre Competition	2014
Apple for the Teacher	Ogden Standard Examiner	2004—2008, 2010
Woman in the Arts	Ogden Symphony Ballet Association	2005
Nye Foundation Scholarship	Weber State University	2002—2003

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Alliance for Theatre and Education (AATE)	2025- present
Association for Theatre in Higher Education (ATHE)	2024—present
Utah Advisory Council of Theatre Teachers (UACTT) (founding board member)	2010—2020
Utah Theatre Association (UTA)	2003—2020

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Utah Advisory Council of Theatre Teachers Conference

Warm-Up Games for the Classroom

Cedar City UT J

July 2016