# Curriculum Vitae

# Alexander W. Ravitz, D.MA. Clarinet, Bass Clarinet



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<b>Current Position</b>	
<ul> <li>Adjunct Instructor of Applied Clarinet and Music Appreciation, University of Central Arkansas</li> <li>Teach Applied Clarinet and Bass Clarinet Lessons both Technical and Musical lessons</li> <li>Start and run the UCA Bass Clarinet Ensemble, Coach Chamber Music as needed</li> <li>Teach music appreciation online</li> <li>Coach students as requested for New Music and Orchestral Auditions</li> </ul>	2025 – Present
Education	
Doctor of Musical Arts in Clarinet Performance Related field: Music Theory Document: The Continuing Legacy of Gustave Langenus University of North Texas, Denton, TX	2019 – 2025
Master of Music in Clarinet Performance and Instrumental Conducting University of South Florida, Tampa, FL	2013 – 2015
Bachelor of Music in Clarinet Performance University of Louisville, Louisville, KY	2009 – 2013
<b>Applied Studies</b>	
Clarinet Studies: Kimberly C. Luevano University of North Texas	2023 – 2025
Phillip O Paglialonga University of North Texas	2019 – 2022
Calvin Falwell Sarasota Orchestra	2013 – 2016
Dallas Tidwell University of Louisville	2009 – 2013
Scott Ellington  Southwest Florida Symphony Orchestra  Additional Applied Clarinet Studies:  Nikolay Blagov - Orlando Philharmonic  Bharat Chandra - Sarasota Orchestra  Jorge Montilla - University of Iowa  Marylin Nije - Western Kentucky University  Paul Votapek - Naples Philharmonic	2004 – 2007

#### **Additional Studies:**

William Wiedrich - *University of South Florida* (Conducting)
Dan Miller - *Artis Naples Jazz Orchestra* (Jazz Studies)

Teaching Experience	
Collegiate Level:	
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<ul> <li>Doctoral Student, University of North Texas</li> <li>Provide extra instruction for undergraduate students as assigned or requested</li> <li>Coached students through the audition process through lessons and recording sessions</li> <li>As an experienced orchestral performer, I coached orchestral performers in the section with me and provided extra insight into the performance practices of pieces</li> </ul>	2019 – 2022
<ul> <li>Orchestra Woodwind Coach, University of South Florida</li> <li>Assist conductor with weekly rehearsals</li> <li>Conduct weekly sectionals</li> </ul>	2013 – 2016
<ul> <li>Chamber Music Coach, University of South Florida</li> <li>Conduct Clarinet Choir</li> <li>Coach weekly Clarinet Quartet/Choir and Woodwind Quintet rehearsals</li> <li>Plan Studio Clarinet Quartet and Choir recitals</li> </ul>	2013 – 2015
<ul> <li>Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of South Florida</li> <li>Assist with Applied Clarinet Lessons</li> <li>Assist with production of Annual Clarinet Festival</li> <li>Assist in History of Rock n Roll and Music Appreciation Class</li> <li>Teach supplemental Lessons</li> </ul>	2013 – 2015
Middle & High School Level:	
Clarinet Instructor, Braswell High School	2020 - 2022
<ul> <li>Clarinet Choir Director, Hillsborough County High Schools</li> <li>Durant High School</li> <li>H. B. Plant High School</li> <li>Plant City High School</li> </ul>	2014 – 2019
<ul> <li>Woodwind Quintet Instructor, Tampa Metropolitan Youth Orchestra</li> <li>Run Weekly Rehearsals</li> <li>Plan for performance and gig opportunities</li> <li>Repertoire by Ligetti, Nielsen, Ibert, Mozart</li> </ul>	2016 – 2019
<ul> <li>Assistant Director of Bands, Plant City High School</li> <li>Woodwind Sectionals</li> <li>Marching Technique</li> <li>Show Design</li> <li>Music Arranging</li> </ul>	2015 – 2019

<ul> <li>Clarinet Faculty, University of South Florida Summer Music Camp</li> <li>Clarinet Technique Classes</li> <li>Arrange Music for Large Chamber Winds</li> <li>Conduct Large Chamber Winds Ensemble</li> </ul>	2015 – 2017
<ul> <li>Clarinet Faculty, Sarasota Orchestra Summer Music Camp</li> <li>Clarinet Technique Classes (Beginner through High school)</li> <li>Coach Clarinet Quartet and Chamber music</li> </ul>	2014 – 2019
<ul> <li>Conducting Intern, Tampa Metropolitan Youth Orchestra</li> <li>Conduct weekly Chamber Orchestra Rehearsals</li> <li>Conduct weekly Orchestra Rehearsal</li> </ul>	2014 – 2015
<ul> <li>Winds and Brass Instructor, Tampa Metropolitan Youth Orchestra</li> <li>Coach Sectionals</li> <li>Judge seating auditions</li> <li>Coach Chamber Ensembles</li> </ul>	2013 – 2019
<ul> <li>Private Applied Studio, Hillsborough County &amp; Pinellas County, FL</li> <li>Select Student Accomplishments:</li> <li>Undergraduate Music Acceptance at University of Michigan, Florida State University, Stetson University, Texas Chistian University, Texas Women's University, and others</li> <li>Scholarships between \$2,000 to \$150,000 per year</li> </ul>	2013 – 2019
Middle & High School Adjunct Clarinet Instructor, Weekly Masterclasses  Adams Middle School Alonso High School Coleman Middle School Durant High School Gaither High School H. B. Plant High School Howard W. Blake High School Marshall Middle School Newsome High School Rampello Downtown Partnership K-8 School Steinbrenner High School Wharton High School Young Middle Magnet	2013 – 2019
<ul> <li>Clarinet Instructor, University of Louisville Summer Wind Band Institute</li> <li>Clarinet Technique Class (Middle and High School)</li> <li>Saxophone Technique Class (Middle and High School)</li> <li>Coach Chamber Music</li> <li>Teach Clarinet and Saxophone Lessons</li> </ul>	2012 - 2013
Private Applied Studio, Jefferson County, KY	2011 – 2013

#### **Administrative Experience**

*Undergraduate Academic Counselor – College of Music,* University of North Texas, Denton, TX

2022 - 2025

#### Duties include:

- Advise and counsel 315 undergraduate performance students as the performance advising specialist
- Advise all of the 1200 college of music students and non-majors on their degree plan
- Knowledge of and ability to advise on all 24-degree plans offered by the College of Music
- Advise incoming and prospective students on requirements of all undergraduate degrees offered through the College of Music
- Compile and update databases of current students regarding At-Risk, Alert, Probation,
   Degree Recitals, and Graduation
- Create and Present Orientation Materials for incoming Transfer and Freshmen students with our team of advisors
- Work with students on at-risk/probation interventions including knowledge of resources available to help students
- Manage and give presentations for auditioning students during audition days
- Advise students on academic interactions including emails and discussions about difficult topics
- Foster individual approaches for unique academic situations
- Work with students on graduation plans, and post-undergraduate plans, including graduate school, freelance teaching/performing, and non-music next steps
- Work with admissions staff to address melt, and retention
- Organize events for performance majors including "What I wish I knew" a presentation of information from faculty through the lens of advising
- Work with Faculty on clarifying and updating curricula
- Operate EIS, Navigate, EAB, Microsoft Word/Excel/PowerPoint, and Canva

#### **Performance Experience** Orchestra: Fort Smith Symphony (Fort Smith, AR) 2022 – Present Principal Bass Clarinet New Texas Sinfonia (Tyler, TX) 2024 - 2025Principal Clarinet Marshall Symphony (Marshall, TX) 2022 - 2025Substitute Clarinet San Angelo Symphony (San Angelo, TX) 2021 - 2025Substitute Clarinet University of North Texas Symphony Orchestra (Denton, TX) 2019 - 2021Principal Clarinet/Bass Clarinet (Rotating)

St. Petersburg Opera (St. Petersburg, FL) Second Clarinet	2019
Florida Studio Theatre (Sarasota, FL) Principal Clarinet	2018 – 2019
The Florida Orchestra (Tampa, FL) Substitute Clarinet	2018 – 2019
Opera Tampa Orchestra (Tampa, FL) Second Clarinet	2016 – 2017
Opera Naples Orchestra (Naples, FL) Principal/Second Clarinet	2016 – 2019
Naples Philharmonic (Naples, FL) Substitute Clarinet and Bass Clarinet	2015 – 2019
Orlando Philharmonic (Orlando, FL) Substitute Bass Clarinet	2015 – 2019
Southwest Florida Symphony Orchestra (Fort Myers, FL) Substitute Clarinet and Bass Clarinet	2015 –2019
Charlotte Symphony Orchestra (Port Charlotte, FL) Bass Clarinet, Substitute Clarinet	2014 – 2018
Sarasota Opera Orchestra (Sarasota, Opera) Substitute Bass Clarinet	2014 –2017
Venice Symphony Orchestra (Venice, FL)  Principal Clarinet	2014 – 2022
Second Street Chamber Orchestra (Louisville, KY)  Principal Clarinet	2011 – 2013
University of Louisville Symphony Orchestra  Clarinet and Bass Clarinet	2009 – 2013
Wind Ensemble: University of North Texas Wind Symphony Section Clarinet	2019 – 2020
Florida Wind Band (Tampa, FL) Principal Clarinet and Eb Clarinet	2014 – 2017

University of South Florida Wind Ensemble Section Clarinet	2013 – 2015
St. Petersburg Wind Symphony Principal Clarinet, Founding Member	2013 – 2015
University of Louisville Wind Ensemble Clarinet and Bass Clarinet	2009 - 2013
Chamber Ensemble:  NOVA  The Premiere New music ensemble of the University of North Texas. The ensemble's instrumentation varies each semester. Projects each term include both large ensemble and chamber works. Faculty and guest performers occasionally join the ensembles, enhancing students' understanding of contemporary performance issues.	2020 – 2025
Woodwind Quintet Previous member of the Venice Symphony Woodwind Quintet doing performances and outreach for the symphony. Also includes varied performance groups from High School, Undergraduate, and Graduate school. Performances of important repertoire including that of Anton Riecha, Samuel Barber, Paquito D 'Riviera and György Ligeti.	2005 – 2022
Bayinette, Clarinet Quartet Bayinette is a clarinet quartet that is made up of performers of various orchestras in the Tampa Bay area and beyond. Performing works of different styles for various performances and venues.	2018 – 2020
<u>CRUX [B. Cl, CB, Perc]</u> CRUX is a fully improvised music trio consisting of Alexander W. Ravitz, Thomas Milovac, and Leo Suarez. The trio is regularly featured as performers in venues that feature free jazz and classical improvisation and is described as "blurring the lines" between the two forms. Their self-titled album is produced on Noise Pelican records.	2017 – 2020
Jamison Williams Trio [Sop. Sax, B. Cl, Vib]  "A pop-up group focusing on the performance of experimental improvised interpretations of Disney tunes. Described as 'pleasantly progressive' the trio tours around Florida performing at a variety of venues."	2016 – 2017
Clarinet Trio [Cl, (Vln/Vla/Vcl), Pno] Many different performances, New Music including the Music of David Liptak and other new compositions as well as the music of Bruch, Brahms, and Mozart.	2013 – 2016
Ethnic Explosion, Clarinet Quartet University of Louisville's Premiere Clarinet Quartet. Winners of The Macauley Chamber Music Competition and MTNA Chamber Music State Competition and runner's up at MTNA Chamber Music Regional Competition.	2010 – 2012
Woodwind Trio [Fl, Ob, Cl]/ [Ob, Cl, Bsn] Performing groups exploring music written for both standard iterations of the Woodwind Trio	2009 – 2013

<u>Pierrot Ensemble</u> Varied performance groups during Undergraduate, Graduate School, and following Graduate school including the music of Jennifer Higdon, Ricardo-Zohn Muldoon, Rene Orth, and Joan Tower. Recording in process of Pierrot Lunaire, final recording date March 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2025, see Discography for ensemble information	2009 – Present
<u>UofL New Music Ensemble</u> , <u>Large Mixed Chamber Ensemble</u> University of Louisville's Premiere New Music Ensemble. Featured on many concert and tours. Featured performers at CBDNA and the Jungfrau Music Festival (Interlaken, Switzerland).	2009 – 2013 ts,
Recital: Gorecki's Symphony of Sorrowful Songs adapted for Bass Clarinet, Tuba, and Electronics, ICA Clarinetfest 2025 Fort Worth, TX	July 12, 2025 (Canceled due to Sickness)
Works for Bass Clarinet, Tuba, and Electronics, University of University of Northern Iowa Cedar Falls, IA	January 24, 2025
Works For Bass Clarinet, Tuba, and Electronics, University of Wisconsin – Madison Madison, WI	January 23, 2025
Megan Esther Grey Faculty Recital, Clyde H. Wells Fine Arts Center Stephenville, TX	October 24, 2024
Christopher Rodriguez DMA Recital, Recital Hall Denton, TX	April 17, 2024
Sounds Modern: Impure Music, Cruice Stark Auditorium, Denison, TX	November 11, 2023
Sounds Modern: Impure Music, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth Fort Worth, TX	September 9, 2023
Ich Habe Genug Megan Esther Grey DMA Recital, UNT Recital Hall Denton, TX	August 22, 2023
Linda Jenkins DMA Recital, UNT Recital Hall Denton, TX	April 25, 2023
Sounds Modern: Echo or Agent? The Mirror of Disembodied Sound, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth Fort Worth, TX	April 15, 2023
ICA New Music Weekend 2022: Potpourri Recital 2, Virtual	October 22, 2022

#### Online

Sounds Modern: Women Musiking Women, Modern Art Museum of Forth Worth Fort Worth, TX	September 3, 2022
My American School, UNT Recital Hall	October 15, 2021
Denton, TX  The Russian Conservatories: St. Petersburg/Moscow, UNT Recital Hall  Denton, TX	April 16, 2021
The Paris Conservatory: Then and Now, UNT Recital Hall Denton, TX	November 13, 2020
Classical Revolution, Iberian Roosters St. Petersburg, FL	January 14, 2018
Venice Symphony Woodwind Trio Presents: <i>Memorable Melodies</i> Venice, FL	November 1, 2018
Terrior New Music Presents, <i>Terrior 006: To the Earth</i> , Fancy Free Nursery Tampa, FL	April 22, 2018
New Music Festival Faculty Concert No. 2, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	April 7, 2018
New Music Festival Faculty Concert No. 1, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	April 6, 2018
Terrior New Music Presents, <i>Terrior 005: soleria (USF New Music Festival)</i> , C. 1949 Florida Beer Garden Tampa, FL	April 5, 2018
Sarasota Musica Viva Presents: <i>Contemporary Chamber Music</i> Sarasota, FL	January 7, 2018
Sarasota Musica Viva Presents: Fantasie by Jongen and other Sextets Sarasota, FL	November 12, 2017
Terrior New Music Presents, <i>Terrior 002: (kick)starter</i> , C. 1949 Florida Beer Garden Tampa, FL	November 9, 2017
+SoLo Features: CRUX w/ Sulynn Hago, The Second Floor Gallery	September 25, 2017

Jacksonville, FL	
The In-Between Series Presents: CRUX, The Gallery at Avalon Island Orlando, FL	September 18, 2017
LOCI Tour Kick-off concert, Studio @ 620 St. Petersburg, FL	September 1, 2017
neuSonics Improvised Music Festival, The Space Gallery Jacksonville, FL	August 5, 2017
The Music of Poland, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	February 4, 2017
Rogue Dance w/ Sean Hamilton Collective, The Venture Compound St. Petersburg, FL	February 3, 2017
Art in odd Places, downtown near The Gallery at Avalon Island Orlando, FL	November 13, 2016
Jamison Williams Trio Live, Timucua Arts White House Orlando, FL	September 25, 2016
New Music Festival Faculty Concert No. 2, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	March 5, 2016
New Music Festival Faculty Concert No. 1, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	March 4, 2016
The Music of David Liptak, USF New Music Consortium. Tampa, FL	April 10, 2015
Clarinet Recital, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	April 2, 2015
The Music of Asia, USF Faculty Recital Tampa, FL	January 23, 2014
Clarinet Day Festival, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	April 12, 2014
Alumni Clarinet Festival, University of Louisville Louisville, KY	March 28, 2014
New Music Festival Faculty Concert, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	February 14, 2014

December 6, 2014
September 28, 2013
April 6, 2013
November 18, 2013
April 7, 2012
November 19, 2009
November 13, 2023
May 10, 2015
December 20, 2014
November 15, 2014
November 14, 2014
February 13, 2014
December 6, 2013
November 23, 2013

Discography	
In Progress:  Pierrot Lunaire: Dr. Megan Esther Grey soloist Dr. Elizabeth McNutt – Fl Dr. Kathleen Crabtree – Vln/Vla Colin Stokes – Vcl Matthew Gemmil – Pno, Dr. Rebekah Burkhart – Cond.	Final recording date: May 27, 2025
Gorecki's Symphony of Sorrowful Songs adapted for Bass Clarinet, Tuba, and Electronics Dr. Brett Copeland – Tba	Recording scheduled for July 2025
Currently Available: Self-titled, CRUX Noise Pelican Records	September 1, 2017
Interpretations from the Disney Songbook, Jamison William Vantage Bulletin Records	ns Trio July 22, 2016
Recognitions	
Friends and Family Endowed Chair, Fort Smith Symphony	2022 – Present
Scholarship Award Recipient, University of North Texas	2019 – 2023
Wesley John Shumaker Endowed Chair, Venice Symphony	2014 – 2021
Finalist, ProMusica Chamber Orchestra Principal Clarinet	Audition Nov. 2015
Semi-Finalist, Great Falls Symphony Principal Clarinet Au-	dition May 2015
First Place – Winner, The Macauley Chamber Music Comp	petition 2011
First Place – Winner, MTNA State Chamber Music Compe	etition 2011
Honorable Mention, MTNA Multi-State Regional Chamber Competition	Music 2011