

ROSS BAUMGARDNER

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CURRICULUM VITAE

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor candidate	May 2027
University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND	3.816/4.000 GPA
Master of Public Health candidate	May 2027
University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND	4.0/4.0 GPA
Master of Science in Educational Leadership	December 2019
Minnesota State University Moorhead, Moorhead, MN	3.5/4.0 GPA
Bachelor of Music in Music Education, Minor in Religion	May 2016
Concordia College, Moorhead, MN	4.0/4.0 GPA, Summa Cum Laude
Member: Pi Kappa Lambda music honor society	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Public Health Intern – North Dakota Board of Pharmacy	Summer 2026 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conduct research and develop policy recommendations related to pharmacy regulation and public health practiceReview investigative materials and prepare administrative documents for the Board	
Law Clerk – Nyhus Law Firm	Summer 2026 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conduct legal research, draft memoranda, pleadings, and other litigation documentsAssist attorneys with case preparation, client communications, and review of discovery materials	
Steiger Fellow, Antitrust Division – Office of the Attorney General of North Dakota	Summer 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Selected for an eight-week fellowship, focusing on investigations and legal researchDrafting Cease and Desist Orders, Assurances of Voluntary Compliances, and research memoranda	
Orchestra Teacher – Bismarck Public Schools, Bismarck, ND	August 2016 – April 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Tripled program enrollment while co-developing curriculum, standards, and instructionManaged logistics across eight buildings, coordinated schedules, meetings, and resources	
Taekwondo Instructor – Northwest Martial Arts	August 2008 – August 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Served as assistant instructor in West Fargo, ND before own school in July 2021, Bismarck, NDCoached diverse populations varying in age, skill levels, and abilities; supported curriculum development	
Owner/Program Manager – Elementary Orchestra Activities, LLC	Active LLC, ND
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Developed and managed summer orchestra camps for over 150 students: 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022Managed wholesale accounts, business transactions, and negotiated agreements; hired temporary staff	

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PUBLICATIONS

Baumgardner, R. (2026). Pharmacists on the Frontline: Modernizing Healthcare Access in North Dakota. *Nodak Pharmacy*. (forthcoming)

Baumgardner, R. (2026). Kratom: Summary. *ND Physician Magazine* August, 2026 (forthcoming).

Baumgardner, R. (2026). Garbage in, garbage out: Tips for Using AI Successfully in Private Music Studios. *American String Teacher* (forthcoming).

Baumgardner, R. (2024). Music as a vehicle for soft skill development through standards. *American String Teacher* 74.2.

Baumgardner, R. (2014). Letter: Diversion a rerun of history? *InForum: The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead*. March 1, 2014.

Baumgardner, R. (2014). Letter: A response from young Mr. Baumgardner. *The Fm Extra*. March 13, 2014.

Works in progress

Baumgardner, R. (2026). Evil Nonetheless: Regulating Kratom as the Lesser Evil in an Era of Narcotic Misuse. *Submitted for publication*.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- FDA regulation and administrative law
- Consumer protection and public health policy
- Music pedagogy and soft-skill development
- Disability and accessibility law
- Pharmacy law and regulation
- Artificial intelligence and law

PRESENTATIONS

Baumgardner, R. (August 2022). *Teaching chamber-music skills*. North Star Chamber Music Camp, Moorhead, MN.

Baumgardner, R. (March 2014). *Radical hope in the face of despair*. Concordia College Symposium, Moorhead, MN.

AWARDS, GRANTS, and HONORS

Highest Grade Award, Artificial Intelligence and the Law, Spring Semester 2026

Commencement Marshall, UND School of Law Commencement 2025, 2026 (based on class rank)

Larson Law Scholar, UND School of Law, 2024-2027

Optimist Club Grant, "Solheim Elementary Orchestra," Optimist Club, 2018 (co-author)

Innovation Grant, "Library for Self-Directed Learning," Bismarck Public Schools Foundation, 2017

Inquiry Scholar Award, Concordia College, 2013 (essay selected from over 500 submissions)

President's Scholarship, Concordia College, 2012 (half tuition scholarship over four years)

Concordia Music Scholarship, Concordia College, 2012

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SKILLS and COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Committee Member, University of North Dakota School of Medicine & Health Sciences AI Subcommittee on Policy and Guidance, 2026-2027

Peer Reviewer, Martial Arts Studies Journal, 2025 – Present

Bilingual: Spanish (Latin American), conversational fluency

Fundraising for Juvenile Type 1 Diabetes; raised \$1,500+ for various Type 1 charities, 2023-2024

Certified Pesticide Applicator, ND, private license – through NDSU Ag Extension

Firearms/Safety – Class 1 ND Firearm & Dangerous Weapon Permit holder; Former Certified Range Safety Officer (RSO), 2018-2019; International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA) Competitor

Strolling Strings of Bismarck, coach August 2016 – May 2021

Organist, Comstock-Hoff Lutheran Parish July 2014 – July 2016

Orchestra musician, Midwest region

- Bismarck-Mandan Symphony Orchestra, associate concertmaster – 2 seasons 2016 – 2019, September 2022 – Present
- Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Orchestra, rostered, 2015-16, and sub-list September 2013 – Present
- Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra, sub list February 2025 – Present
- University of North Dakota Chamber Orchestra, concertmaster September 2025 – May 2026
- Minot Symphony Orchestra, rostered / sub-list / substitute concertmaster September 2020 – May 2024
- Concordia Orchestra, violin (experience as principal/concertmaster) August 2012 – May 2016
- Bemidji Symphony Orchestra, sub-list November 2023
- Fargo-Moorhead Opera, sub-list August 2016
- Pit orchestra coach, Trollwood Performing Arts, summer 2015; pit orchestra musician, including musicals: Sound of Music, West Side Story, Seussical, Fiddler on the Roof, and others

Chamber musician

Dakota Plains Consortium, violin 1 August 2019 – February 2024

- Performed clarinet quintet works by Mozart, Vaughan-Williams, Coleridge-Taylor, Glazunov, and others
- Performed in Bismarck-Mandan Symphony Orchestra's chamber music series featuring works by Terezin
Concentration Camp composers – performing works by Ulmann and Ellerby, October 2023

Dakota Chamber Music, participant, violin Summers 2015, 2020-2024

- Performed trio works, quartet works, piano quintet works, by Brahms, Dvorak, and others
- Coaching by Beo String Quartet

President, Canada Acres Homeowner's Association (35 members), Bismarck, ND, June 2020 – August 2023

Christian (Lutheran) – Comstock Lutheran Church, Comstock, MN (Organist, 2014-2016); Olivet Lutheran Church, Fargo, ND; Inspire Family Fellowship, Bismarck, ND