

ROSS BAUMGARDNER

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EDUCATION

Juris Doctor candidate

University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

3.74 current GPA

anticipated May 2027

Master of Public Health candidate

University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

anticipated May 2027

Master of Science in Educational Leadership

Minnesota State University Moorhead, Moorhead, MN

3.5 GPA

December 2019

Bachelor of Music in Music Education, Minor in Religion

Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

4.0 GPA, summa cum laude

May 2016

Pi Kappa Lambda; music honor society inductee – junior year

EXPERIENCE

Fellow, Antitrust Division – Office of the Attorney General of North Dakota

Summer 2025

- Selected for an eight-week fellowship, focusing on investigations and legal research
- Drafting Cease and Desist Orders, Assurances of Voluntary Compliances, and research memoranda

Orchestra Teacher – Bismarck Public Schools, Bismarck, ND

August 2016 – April 2024

- Tripled program enrollment while co-developing curriculum, standards, and instruction
- Managed logistics across seven buildings, coordinated schedules, meetings, and resources

Taekwondo Instructor – Northwest Martial Arts

August 2008 – August 2024

- Served as assistant instructor in West Fargo, ND before own school in July 2021, Bismarck, ND
- Coached diverse populations varying in age, skill levels, and abilities; supported curriculum development

Owner/Program Manager – Elementary Orchestra Activities, LLC

January 2017 – present

- Developed and managed summer orchestra camps for over 150 students: 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022
- Managed wholesale accounts, business transactions, and negotiated agreements; hired temporary staff

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Fundraising for Juvenile Type 1 Diabetes

Perform dinner music at Aleworks, Bismarck, ND; raised \$1,500+ for various Type 1 charities

August 2023 – August 2024

Volunteer, Sanford Health – Bismarck, ND

Perform piano in the lobby; completed orientation and screening

May 2024 – present

President

Canada Acres Homeowner's Association (35 members), Bismarck, ND

June 2020 – August 2023

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

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SKILLS

Violinist / Pianist

- Demonstrated exceptional perseverance by mastering multiple instruments
- Operate private studio of piano and violin students; students win major regional and state competitions
- Rostered in the violin and substitute violin sections of multiple community orchestras

Bilingual: Spanish (Latin American)

Firearms/Safety

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

Pesticide Applicator

Certified private applicator #XXX; Dicamba certified ND/MN through Bayer, 2024; Paraquat certified through National Pesticide Safety Education Center, 2022-2025

PUBLICATIONS

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.

LECTURES

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.

PERFORMANCES

Performed in over 200 music events, concerts, or recitals, as section musician, featured soloist, or ensemble member. Several notable performances include:

- “Our Town”; works by A. Copland – *Appalachian Spring*, and *Our Town*, E. Amaya – premier of *Four Seasons of North Dakota*, and others. Ross Baumgardner, guest concertmaster. Minot Symphony Orchestra. April 2024 at Anne Nicole Nelson Hall, Minot, ND.
- “Celtic Cadences” featuring Ross Baumgardner on bagpipes – P. M. Davies *Orkney Wedding, with Sunrise*. Bismarck-Mandan Symphony Orchestra, March 2024 at the Belle Mehus auditorium, Bismarck, ND.
- “Music of Terezin Concentration Camp” featuring the Dakota Plains Consortium – V. Ullmann *String Quartet no. 3* and M. Ellerby *Epitaph VII: Memento*, October 2023 at the Belle Mehus auditorium, Bismarck, ND.
- “Solo violin recital” featuring Ross Baumgardner on violin – J. S. Bach *Sonata in C major for unaccompanied violin* and S. Prokofiev *Sonata for solo violin Op. 115*, April 2023 at Gideons Brewery, Bismarck, ND.
- “Honors Competitions Winners Concert” featuring Ross Baumgardner on piano – L. van Beethoven *Piano Concerto no. 3: I Allegro con brio*. Concordia Orchestra, May 2016.