

ROSS BAUMGARDNER

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EDUCATION

Juris Doctor candidate	May 2027
University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND	3.77/4.0 GPA, rank 4/71
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

LEGAL 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

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Orchestra Teacher – Bismarck Public Schools, Bismarck, ND August 2016 – April 2024

- Tripled program enrollment while co-developing curriculum, standards, and instruction
- Managed logistics across eight 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 Active LLC, ND

- 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

SKILLS and COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Bilingual: Spanish (Latin American)
- Professional musician – Rostered violinist with several community symphonies; piano accompanist; music instructor
- Fundraising for Juvenile Type 1 Diabetes; raised \$1,500+ for various Type 1 charities, 2023-2024
- 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
- Firearms/Safety – Class 1 ND Firearm & Dangerous Weapon Permit holder; Former Certified Range Safety Officer (RSO), 2018-2019; International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA) Competitor
- Certified private pesticide applicator, ND – through NDSU Ag Extension

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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.

Works in progress

Baumgardner, R. (2026). Garbage in, garbage out: Tips for Using AI Successfully in Private Music Studios. *Submitted for publication*.

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.