

Morgan Kuepfer

Teaching Dossier

Teachable Subjects

Specializations: Choral Music, Instrumental Music, French (Core & Immersion)

Competence: English, Math, Dance, Drama, Visual Art, Physical Education, Social Studies

Professional Teaching Experience

Contract Teacher

Avon Maitland District School Board

North Perth Westfield Elementary School

February 2024-present

- Leading the Kindergarten and Primary Music Program

Long Term Occasional Teacher

Avon Maitland District School Board

Bedford Public School

September 2023-January 2024

- Taught Senior Kindergarten & Grade 1

Bedford Public School

September 2022-June 2023

- Taught Grade 1 French Immersion

Anne Hathaway Public School

February 2022-June 2022

- Taught Grade 1 French Immersion

Stratford District Secondary School

January 2022

- Taught Grade 9/10 Academic French Immersion (FIF1D/2D) and Grade 11/12 Academic Core French (FSF3U/4U)

Central Huron Secondary School

September 2021-January 2022

- Taught a semester of Grade 9 Applied Core French (FSF1P)

Daily Occasional Teacher

September 2021-present

Emergency Daily Occasional Teacher

September 2020-June 2021

Avon Maitland District School Board

- Implements lesson plans (remotely and on-site) provided by the regular classroom teacher to create a cohesive and consistent learning experience for students.
- Engages students effectively to encourage participation, minimize distractions, and maintain a positive learning environment.

Supply/Casual Call-in Emergency Support Staff

May 2019-January 2021

Avon Maitland District School Board

- Provided physical, behavioural and/or academic support to students in integrated or self-contained settings.

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Teaching Practicum

Point Grey Secondary School

2 weeks, Oct. 26-Nov. 6, 2020

10 weeks, Feb. 22-May 14, 2021

- Assumed the role and responsibilities of the teacher for Strings 10-12, Concert Choir 10-12, Concert Band 10-12, Concert Band 9, Chamber Choir, Jazz Band B, Mini French 8, and Core French 11.
- Designed logically organized units, lessons, and experiences that are linked to identified goals and objectives for a variety of concepts and themes.
- Fostered a positive, supportive, and safe environment for collaboration, exploration, critical thinking/reflection and citizenship.
- Linked educational research to classroom practice through an effective cycle of questioning, reflection, and action.

York House School

3 weeks, May 17-June 4, 2021

- Assisted with and co-taught K-7 general music and 8-12 concert choir.
- Engaged in constructive conversations with advisors to learn more about professional practice in elementary music.
- Developed rapport with students and contributed to the classroom community.

Community Teaching Experience

Private Swimming Instructor

June 2020-present

Morgan's Private Swimming Lessons

- Launched an entrepreneurial swimming lesson business for local families.
- Encourages students to become stronger swimmers through technique and stroke development.

Lent Solomon Fund

September 2019-June 2020

- Co-conducted the Festival and Senior Choir.
- Created meaningful opportunities for musical engagement and creativity while building leadership and community within the ensembles.

Western Young Winds

January 2020-March 2020

- Applied conducting and teaching skills in an authentic teaching environment by working directly with elementary and young high school band students in both small group and full band instructional settings.

Early Outreach Conference Leadership Developer

May, 2019

- Motivated and encouraged grade 7 and 8 students to set long-term goals by facilitating workshops and events to provide them with necessary tools and resources to guide them in making an educated decision about their future.

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Community Teaching Experience (continued)

Music Education in Action

September 2018-December 2018

- Oversaw music making with children ages six to eighteen through El Sistema Aeolian's afterschool music program.
- Led group activities and assisted during concerts in order to foster a positive learning environment.

Guatemala Study Abroad

April 2017-May 2017

- Embarked on a meaningful practical experience of teaching and learning in an international setting through the music education department at Western University.
- Spearheaded a GoFundMe initiative to raise money and awareness for the local El Sistema organization to move to a safer part of the community.

Alternative Spring Break

February 2017

- Engaged in projects that support youth development in the Dominican Republic while learning about education in a different cultural context.
- Designed our own lesson plans to teach English as a second language to students at the local schools.

Swim Ability

September 2016-April 2017

- Instructed swimmers with disabilities to become more confident in their swimming abilities through barrier-free, one-on-one, water-safety and swimming instruction.
- Established a swim program that was adapted and targeted towards their personal goals and needs.

Professional Affiliations

British Columbia Music Education Association (BCMEA)

October 2020

- Participated in the 2020 conference as a professional development and networking opportunity.

Canadian Music Educators' Association (CMEA)

June 2020-present

- Current member.
- Participated in the 2020 Kenneth Bray Undergraduate Essay Competition.
- Published co-author in their journal, the *Canadian Music Educator*.

Choral Canada

January 2019-present

- Current member.
- Corresponded with Debra Cairns to support the development of Western University's Student Chapter from 2019-2020.
- Articulated the experiences and accomplishments of the Student Chapter by writing year-end reports for Choral Canada in the spring of 2020.

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Professional Affiliations (continued)

Ontario Music Education Association (OMEA)

September 2016-present

- Current member and active participant in their annual conference to learn about quality music education, share instructional strategies, resources and best practices, and enhance knowledge as an aspiring music specialist teacher.

Publications

Bylica, K., & Kuepfer, M. (2021). Mentoring in Community-Based Fieldwork: Drawing from Experience. *Canadian Music Educator*, 62(4), 20.

Kuepfer, M., Waldock, S. (2019). 2018/2019 Student Chapter Activities. *Anacrusis*, 37(3), 33.

Kuepfer, M. (2020). The First Year Makings of Western's Student Chapter Branch. *Anacrusis*, 38(2), 52.

Professional Development & Certifications

OT AMETFO & Stratford Festival

Movement & Storytelling Drama Workshop

February 27, 2024

Learning at the Primary Pond - Alison

7 Engaging, Research-Based Phonics Routines for K-2 (Webinar)

August 5, 2022

How to Implement Writing Workshop in K-2 (Webinar)

August 6, 2022

5 Secrets to Getting K-2 Students to Write Independently (Webinar)

September 1, 2022

How to Make High-Frequency Words Stick (Webinar)

September 19, 2022

5 Strategies That Teach K-2 Students to Write Strong Sentences (Webinar) *March 20, 2023*

Western University - ASPIrE - Advanced Studies in Professional Education

Primary ABQ

July 31, 2022

Mathematics Primary & Junior Part 1

July 31, 2022

Unlocking Science of Reading (SOR)

Summer Conference

July 30, 2022

AIM Language Learning

Beginner French (Core/FSL) Virtual Summer Institute

August 23-24, 2021

Refresh, Reinforce and Consolidate (French Immersion)

August 27-28, 2022

France Education International (CIEP)

DALF C1

June 28, 2019

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Professional Development & Certifications (continued)

LivingWorks

SafeTALK
Start Training

August 28, 2019
September 13, 2021

Behaviour Management Systems

Behaviour Management Systems Training

May 31, 2019

Honours & Awards

Western University Don Wright Faculty of Music

Albert Whitlow Choral Award

November 2017

- Awarded to one undergraduate student in second year or above who has demonstrated promise as a choral conductor and demonstrates financial need, in consultation with the senior Choral Conductor. Established through the generosity of the London Music Scholarship.

Deral Johnson Legacy Award in Choral Music Conducting

October 2018

- Awarded annually to an undergraduate or graduate student who has strong academic achievements, and excels in choral music leadership.

University of British Columbia Faculty of Education

Don Wright Scholarship in Vocal/Choral Music Education

November 2021

- Awarded to a student in the Music Education program who has demonstrated a special aptitude for and exceptional teaching of vocal and choral music.

Outstanding Practicum Award

November 2021

- Awarded to students whose work during the extended practicum identified them as teachers of exceptional promise. Recipients of this award receive a distinctive pin.