

Daniel W. Albertson

Music Educator | Percussionist | Festival Coordinator

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Education

2025 - present	University of Kansas Lawrence, KS <i>Doctor of Musical Arts in Percussion Performance</i>
2021 - 2023	University of Delaware Newark, DE <i>Master of Music in Percussion Performance</i> <i>Graduate Teaching Assistant</i> <i>Member of the University of Delaware Graduate Percussion Group</i>
2016 - 2021	Washburn University Topeka, KS <i>Bachelor of Arts in Music Education - Percussion Emphasis</i>

Collegiate Teaching Experience

2023 - present	Kansas Wesleyan University Salina, KS <i>Adjunct Professor of Percussion: 2023 - 2024</i> <i>Assistant Professor of Music: 2024 - present</i> <i>NAfME Faculty Advisor</i> <i>Courses taught:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Percussion Ensemble• "The Howl" Athletic Bands Co-Director• Private Percussion Lessons for Undergraduate Students• Music Appreciation• Music History• Percussion Methods• Percussion Pedagogy <i>Guest Artists Hosted:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quey Percussion Duo Dr. Gene Koshinski and Dr. Tim Broschious, University of Delaware• Twin Lakes Percussion Duo Dr. Emily Salgado and Jimmy Stagnitti• Dr. Caitlin Jones, Lee University• Braedon Bomgardner• Dr. Von Hansen, Washburn University
2025 - present	Barton County Community College Great Bend, KS <i>Adjunct Professor of Percussion</i>
2021 - 2023	University of Delaware Newark, DE <i>Graduate Teaching Assistant</i> <i>UD Graduate Percussion Group</i> <i>Courses taught:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Percussion Share Shop• Private Lessons for Undergraduate Music Majors• Percussion Chamber Music Coaching <i>Other Responsibilities:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social Media Coordinator for the Percussion Studio• Inventory and Upkeep of Studio Gear• Scheduling Creation and Upkeep of Practice Rooms• Recruitment Touring / Outreach• Organization of Collegiate Band Percussion Section• Organization and rehearsing of Symphonic Band Percussion Section

K-12 Teaching Experience

2025	Andover High School Andover, KS <i>Guest Instructor for Band Camp</i>
2024 - present	Salina Central High School Salina, KS <i>Percussion/Drumline Instructor</i>
2023 - 2025	Eisenhower High School Goddard, KS <i>Percussion/Drumline Instructor</i>
2020 - 2024	Buhler High School Buhler, KS <i>Guest Instructor for Band Camp</i>
2023 - 2024	<i>Percussion/Drumline Instructor</i>

2023 - 2024	Ellinwood USD 355 Ellinwood, KS <i>5th - 6th Band 7th - 8th Band 7th - 8th Choir 9th - 12th Band Music Appreciation</i>
2023	Olathe Northwest High School Olathe, KS <i>Guest Clinician for early summer Band Camp</i>
2022 - 2023	Salesianum School Wilmington, DE <i>Assistant Band Director/Percussion Instructor</i>
2021 - 2021	Shawnee Heights School District Tecumseh, KS <i>Student Teacher, 5th - 12th Instrumental Music</i>
2018 - 2021	Highland Park High School Topeka, KS <i>Percussion/Drumline Instructor</i>
2017 - 2021	Topeka West High School Topeka, KS <i>Percussion/Drumline Instructor</i>

Administrative Experience

2025 - present	Kansas Chapter of the Percussive Arts Society <i>President</i>
2023 - 2025	<i>Secretary Host of the 2025 Kansas Day of Percussion, Kansas Wesleyan University</i>
2023 - present	Sunflower Music Festival <i>Festival Coordinator</i>
2019 - 2023	<i>Stage Manager</i>
2018	<i>Chaperone, Blanche Bryden Institute</i>
2017 - 2019	Northeast Kansas Total Percussion Camp <i>Student Counselor/Chamber Ensemble Director</i>
2023 - 2025	<i>Primary Guest Artist/Teacher</i>
2020 - 2021	Washburn Student Government Association <i>Communications and Marketing Director</i>
2020 - 2021	Topeka Festival Singers <i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>

Select Ensemble Performing Experiences

Orchestral

2025	University of Kansas Symphony Orchestra Lawrence, KS <i>Section Musician, Percussion</i>
2024 - present	Salina Symphony Orchestra Salina, KS <i>Substitute Section Musician, Percussion</i>
2024	Sunflower Music Festival Chamber Orchestra Topeka, KS <i>Section Musician, Percussion</i>
2023 - 2024	Hutchinson Symphony Orchestra Hutchinson, KS <i>Section Musician, Percussion</i>
2021 - 2023	University of Delaware Symphony Orchestra Newark, DE <i>Section Musician, Percussion</i>
2020	Topeka Symphony Orchestra Topeka, KS <i>Substitute Timpanist</i>

Wind Ensemble

2025	Great Plains Wind Symphony Hutchinson, KS <i>Section Musician, Percussion</i>
2024 - present	Wichita Wind Symphony Wichita, KS <i>Section Musician, Percussion</i>

2021 - 2023 **University of Delaware Wind Ensemble**

- *Section Musician, Percussion: Spring 2022*
- *Principal Player, Percussion: Spring 2023*

2022 **Delaware Winds** | Dover, DE
Substitute Section Musician, Percussion

Chamber/Percussion Ensemble

2025 **Goddard High School/Kansas Wesleyan Percussion Collaboration Concert** | Goddard, KS
Performances by:

- *Kansas Wesleyan University Percussion Ensemble*
- *Goddard High School Percussion Group*
- *Daniel Albertson, soloist and guest artist with Goddard High School*

2025 **“Music of Akiho”, University of Nebraska-Omaha** | Omaha, NE

2025 **Percussive Arts Society International Convention New Music/Research Performance** | Indianapolis, IN
“Strings Attached” by Eric Griswold | KNO Percussion Group

2025 - present **University of Kansas Percussion Group** | Lawrence, KS

2024 **Percussive Arts Society International Convention New Music/Research Performance** | Indianapolis, IN
“The Breaks” by Von Hansen | KNO Percussion Group

2021 - 2023 **University of Delaware Graduate Percussion Group** | Newark, DE

2021 - 2023 **University of Delaware Percussion Ensemble** | Newark, DE

2019 **Electronic Music Festival Midwest** | Kansas City, KS
Premiere of Von Hansen’s “Luminous Vortices”

Musical Theatre / Film / Entertainment

Theatre Salina | Salina, KS
“The Little Mermaid” | Drumset

Kansas Wesleyan University | Salina, KS
“Working” | Drum Set

Cordelia - Directed by Tunde Kelani
Soundtrack by the University of Delaware Symphony Orchestra

Washburn University Theatre | Topeka, KS
“Curtains!” | Percussion

Holton High School Theatre | Holton, KS

- *“Oklahoma!” (Drum Set/Percussion)*
- *“Bye Bye Birdie” (Drum Set/Percussion)*

Topeka Civic Theatre | Topeka, KS

- *“The Lion King Jr.” | Drum Set/Percussion*
- *“Mulan Jr.” | Drum Set/Percussion*
- *“The Jungle Book” | Drum Set/Percussion*
- *“Freckleface Strawberry” | Drum Set/Percussion*
- *“Elf” | Drum Set/Percussion*
- *“101 Dalmatians” | Drum Set/Percussion*
- *“She Loves Me” | Drum Set/Percussion*

Select Recitals, Performances, Competitions, & Masterclasses

2026 **Kansas Music Educators Association In-Service Workshop** | Wichita, KS
Guest soloist with the Goddard High School Percussion Group

Spring 2026 Collegiate Recitals and Masterclasses

- *University of Nebraska-Lincoln | Lincoln, NE*

2026 **Topeka 501 Professional Development Day** | Topeka, KS
Masterclass, “Pulse and Rhythm Relation”, for all fine arts teachers in TPS 501

Fall 2025 Collegiate Recitals and Masterclasses

- *Kansas State University | Manhattan, KS*
- *Wichita State University | Wichita, KS*
- *Washburn University | Topeka, KS*

2025	University of Kansas Graduate Student Honors Concert Lawrence, KS <i>Performance of Andy Akiho's 'carTogRAPh'</i>
2025	Rome High School Percussion Ensemble Concert Rome, GA <i>Residency at Rome High School</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masterclass, "Movement behind the Marimba" • Guest soloist on 'Enigmatic Journey' by Dan Moore
2025	Soloist for Clifton Taylor's "Concertpiece for Marimba and Wind Ensemble" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goddard High School Goddard, KS • Holton High School Holton, KS
2025	Kansas Music Educators Association In-Service Workshop Wichita, KS <i>Clinic session, "Auxiliary Percussion Techniques"</i>
2024	Kansas Wesleyan University 7x7x7 Lecture Series <i>Fall 2024 Participant</i>
2024	Forge Young Talent of Topeka "Live Your Dream" Symposium Topeka, KS <i>Showcased life-long skills that secondary level students in Northeast Kansas can learn through participating in music classes offered through their schools</i>
2023	Naftzgers Young Artists Competition Wichita, KS <i>Semifinalist</i>
2022	PASIC Concert Chamber Percussion Ensemble Competition Indianapolis, IN <i>University of Delaware Graduate Percussion Group 2nd Place Recipient</i> <i>"Derivative" by Jlin and "José/beFORe JOHN5" by Aurél Holló</i>
2022	Great Plains Marimba Competition Oklahoma City, OK <i>Semifinalist in the Open Duo Category</i>
2021	PASIC Concert Chamber Percussion Ensemble Competition Indianapolis, IN <i>University of Delaware Graduate Percussion Group 1st Place Recipient</i> <i>"Pillar IV" by Andy Akiho</i>
2020	Naftzgers Young Artists Competition Wichita, KS <i>Semifinalist, Finals canceled due to Covid-19 outbreak</i>

Adjudications

2026	Missouri PAS Day of Percussion <i>Hosted at Battle High School Columbia, MO</i>
2025	NCAA League Middle School Contest <i>Hosted at Kansas Wesleyan University Salina, KS</i>
	Patriot League Band Festival <i>Hosted at Circle Middle School Benton, KS</i>

Awards

2024	Kansas NextGenUnder30 <i>2024 recipient in the 'Adult and Higher Education' category</i>
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Professional Affiliations

National Association for Music Education
Kansas Music Educators Association
Kansas Percussive Arts Society
National Convention for Percussion Pedagogy
Percussive Arts Society
Kappa Sigma Fraternity

Other Skills

Percussion Repair
Microsoft Office
Google Workspace
Graphic Design
Social Media Management
Video Production

Adobe Creative Cloud
Apple Pro Tools

Primary Teachers

Garrett Arney, *University of Kansas*
Dr. Gene Koshinski, *University of Delaware*
Dr. Timothy Broschious, *University of Delaware*
Dr. Von Hansen, *Washburn University*
Dr. Tom Morgan, *Washburn University*
Steve Hatfield, *Wichita State University*

References (Additional References Available Upon Request)

Dr. Gene Koshinski - Professor of Percussion, University of Delaware | genek@udel.edu
Dr. Timothy Broschious - Professor of Percussion, University of Delaware | tbros@udel.edu
Dr. Von Hansen - Professor of Percussion, Washburn University | Von.hansen@washburn.edu
Dr. David Woods - Former Dean of Fine Arts: University of Connecticut, Indiana University, University of Oklahoma | dwoods6859@sbcglobal.net
Jake Montoya - Director of Athletic/Jazz Bands/Music Department Recruitment, Kansas Wesleyan University | jake.montoya@kwu.edu
Barry Evans - Director of Bands, Topeka West High School | bevans@tps501.org
Chris Reynolds - Fine Arts Coordinator, Topeka 501 School District | creynolds@tps501.org
Brian Cox - Director of Bands, Salesianum School of Delaware | bcox@salesianum.org