

Rachel L. Sze

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Education and Certifications

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, May 2017

- Bachelor of Music in Music Education (Graduated with High Honors 3.93 GPA)
- Honors College requirements fulfilled

Standard Michigan Teaching Certificate, Michigan Department of Education

- Valid May 2017 – June 2017
- Secondary, Music Education (JQ) K – 12

Standard Professional 1 Certificate (SPC1), Maryland State Department of Education

- Valid July 2017 – June 2022
- Music PreK – 12

Adult and Child First Aid/CPR/AED, American Red Cross

- Valid March 2017 to March 2019

Crowd Management Training, Fire Marshal Services, LLC.

- Valid April 2018 to April 2020

Teaching Experience

Colonel Zadok A. Magruder High School, Montgomery County Public Schools, Rockville, MD

Instrumental Music Director, August 2017 – Present

- Taught classes including Concert Orchestra, Symphonic Orchestra, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and AP Music Theory.
- Managed show design, instruction, and all logistics for The Marching Colonels, Colonel Zadok A. Magruder High School's marching band as an extra-curricular activity for students involved in the music department.
- Conductor and Music Director of Pit Orchestra for spring musical production.

George N. Parks Drum Major Academy, Various Locations

Instructor, Summer 2014 – Present

- Taught groups varying in size including one-on-one, twenty-student break-out conducting sessions, and five-hundred student lectures.
- Provided lessons and guidance on leadership, pedagogy, and conducting to high school students training to become drum majors with their high school band.
- Worked with other professional staff to revise and refine curricula between and during summers to better integrate technology and optimize new strategies to increase student success.
- Taught two to five workshops per summer, each lasting four to five days. Outside of instructional time, supervised students in the dorms. Promoted from IMPACT Team intern after two years.

Related Teaching Experience

Private Euphonium Lessons Instructor, Various Locations	October 2014 – Present
Substitute Teacher, EDU Staff, Greater Lansing Area, MI	May 2017 – June 2017
Student Teacher in Instrumental Music, Hayes Middle School, Grand Ledge, MI	January 2017 – May 2017
Guest Conductor, Meridian Community Band, Okemos, MI	March 2017 – May 2017
Band Camp Instructor, Quince Orchard High School Marching Band	Summers 2014 – 2015

Gaithersburg, MD
IMPACT Team, George N. Parks Drum Major Academy Summers 2012 – 2013
Various Locations
Band Camp Instructor, Paint Branch High School Marching Band Summer 2013
Burtonsville, MD

Performance Experience

Michigan State University Spartan Marching Band (2016 Band President, 2016 Baritone Section Leader, 2014 – 2016 Squad Leader); Michigan State University Symphony Band; Meridian Community Band (Michigan); Michigan State University Concert Band, Michigan State University Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble

Honors and Awards

Michigan State University (Highlights)

Nominee, Featherstone Award for Outstanding Graduating Michigan State Seniors
Committee Member, Michigan State Sexual Violence Advisory Committee, representing The Spartan Marching Band and The College of Music
The Walter Adams Scholarship for Leadership in the Spartan Marching Band
Emil G. & Doris E. Ellis Family Endowed Scholarship in Music Education
Paul and Mavis Pitzer Endowed Scholarship for Urban Teaching
MSU Music Performance Merit Scholarship (All Semesters in Attendance)
Alumni Distinguished Scholarship Semi-Finalist

Professional Organizations

National Association for Music Education; Maryland Music Educators Association; Michigan Music Education Association; Alumni Member, Tau Beta Sigma, National Band Sorority (Former Two-Year Treasurer, Zeta Epsilon Chapter, Michigan State University)

References

Available Upon Request