

# CATHERINE GRACE BUSH

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## EDUCATION

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<b>Bachelor of Music in Instrumental Music Education, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i></b> University of Florida, Gainesville, FL GPA: 4.0/4.0 Honors Thesis: <a href="#">Culture-Centered Teaching in the Music Classroom</a> (2019)	<b>May 2020</b>
<b>Study Abroad: Music, Culture, and Literature of West Africa</b> USAC Ghana, University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana Coursework: The African Storyteller, West African Music and Dance, Service Learning, A Literary Journey into the History and Politics of West African Novels and Nations	<b>Summer 2019</b>
<b>Study Abroad: Music History and Performance</b> Salzburg College, Salzburg, Austria Coursework: Music History (Baroque and Classic Period), Flute Performance	<b>Summer 2017</b>

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Student Teacher

- **Lakeland Highlands Middle School**, (Lakeland, FL) **Spring 2020**
  - Planned and lead rehearsals for concert, jazz, and beginning band classes in preparation for concerts
  - Created and assessed computer-based music assignments during the disruption caused by COVID-19
- **Cleveland Court Elementary**, (Lakeland, FL) **Spring 2020**
  - Facilitated lesson planning and instruction for kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Designed programs and led rehearsals in preparation for concerts and showcases

### Music Instructor (Alachua County, FL)

- Led sectional music and fundamentals rehearsal for the Buchholz High School Wind Symphony flute section in preparation for concerts, festivals, and Florida Music Performance Assessments

### Peer Leader – *First Year Florida*, (Gainesville, FL)

- Co-instructed five sections of the University of Florida First-Year Seminar, First Year Florida
- Shared responsibility with the instructor in designing and executing lesson plans, and supported first year students as they made their transition from high school to the University of Florida

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Sales Associate – *Ann Taylor Loft*, (Lakeland, FL)

- Assisted clients both in the store and over the phone by answering questions and ordering merchandise
- Worked with colleagues to ensure an efficient and safe environment for clients

### Operations Associate – *University of Florida Department of Recreational Sports*, (Gainesville, FL)

- Assisted patrons in person and over the phone, making appropriate referrals when necessary
- Ensured safety of all patrons in program areas and responded to emergencies when necessary

### Peer Advisor – *University of Florida Study Abroad Services*, (Gainesville, FL)

- Lead information sessions at New Student Orientation for incoming freshman and their parents
- Held regular office hours, answered student questions, and aided study abroad services staff

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

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- **Alachua County Library District ESOL Classes** - (Fall 2019): Tutored and co-instructed English classes for teenage and adult students at the beginning and intermediate levels
- **Mawulolo Youth Network** - Accra, Ghana (Summer 2019): Taught songs by rote and created digital music resources for the program
- **Ebenezer Methodist School** - Accra, Ghana (Summer 2019): Assisted in English and math lessons for 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students
- **Harn Museum of Art Summer Camp** - Gainesville, FL (Summer 2018): Established a positive environment for the children by encouraging their creativity
- **Splash Pals, Inc.** - Gainesville, FL (Summer 2018): Worked to ensure safe and positive pool experience for children with physical and mental disabilities ages 6-14
- **Oakview Middle School** - Newberry, FL (Fall 2017): Provided instruction to members of the concert and symphonic band flute sections

## SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

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**Training Qualifications UK (TQUK):** Level 5 Certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language

**Languages:** German (Fluent)

**Instruments:** Flute/Piccolo- 13 Years, Classical Voice- 3 years