## **Education**

2004	Eastman School of Music  Doctor of Musical Arts in Clarinet Performance and Literature
1999	<b>Baylor University</b> Master of Music in Clarinet Performance
1996	New Mexico State University Bachelor of Arts in Music Education

# **Principal Teachers**

2000-2004	<b>Kenneth Grant,</b> Professor of Clarinet, Eastman School of Music, Principal Clarinet, Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, 2000 to 2004
1997-2000	<b>Richard Shanley</b> , Professor of Clarinet, Baylor University, Principal Clarinet, Waco Symphony Orchestra
1992-1996	Laroy Borchert, Associate Professor of Clarinet, New Mexico State University, Assistant Principal Clarinet, El Paso Symphony Orchestra

# **Teaching Experience**

2015-present	Associate Professor of Music, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2012-2015	Associate Professor of Music, University of Texas at Brownsville
2007-2012	Assistant Professor of Music, University of Texas at Brownsville
2003-2005	Woodwind Faculty, The Conservatory of Central Illinois Clarinet and saxophone lessons to students of all ages and levels of experience and coach of the Central Illinois Youth Orchestra Woodwind Quintet.
2001-2003	Lecturer, Nazareth College Instructor of the clarinet methods course for music education majors.
2001-2003	Collegiate Faculty, Nazareth College Preparatory Division Instructor of clarinet to students of all ages and levels of experience.

### 2001-2003 Clarinet Faculty, Hochstein School of Music and Dance

Instructor of clarinet to students of all ages and levels of experience.

### 2000-2003 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Eastman School of Music

Instructor of Clarinet Methods course for Eastman undergraduate music education majors. Applied Clarinet Instructor for University of Rochester music education majors and non-majors.

### 1999-2000 Clarinet Instructor, Lewisville (TX) Independent School District

Clarinet instructor for approximately 50 high school and middle school students.

#### 1997-1999 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Baylor University

Instructor of Clarinet Methods course for music education majors, clarinet instructor for non-music majors, and woodwind chamber music coach.

#### 1994-present Private Clarinet Studio.

Maintained various private teaching studios consisting of students in grades 6-12 with a consistent record of successfully preparing students for district and state level competitions, solo & ensemble festivals, and college entrance auditions.

### Conference Presentations/Performances

2015-2016	2016 Texas Music Educators Association, National Conference, San Antonio, TX
	UTRGV Clarinet Choir, Showcase Performer, Director (upcoming event)

### 2014-2015 National Flute Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. Techno Parade by Guillaume Connesson, Performed with Frontera Trio

## 2013-2014 International Clarinet Association Annual Conference, Baton Rouge, LA

UTB Clarinet Choir, Featured Performer, Director

Texas Music Educators Association, National Conference, San Antonio, TX UTB Clarinet Choir, Music Showcase Concert, Director

Texas Music Educators Association, National Conference, San Antonio, TX Pay it Forward: Service Learning for Future Music Educators, Lecture

National Association of College Wind and Percussion Instructors, National Conference

Music for Flute & Clarinet, Featured Performance

2012-2013 College Music Society South Central Region Conference, Brownsville, TX

Three's Company: Exploring the Repertoire for Woodwind Trio, UTB Faculty Trio (accepted,

not presented)

2011-2012 College Music Society South Central Region Conference, Ada, OK

Dream Fantasies IV by Russell Reed, Premiere performance of commissioned work

2009-2010	Texas Music Educators Association, National Conference, San Antonio, TX Three's Company: Exploring the Repertoire for Woodwind Trio, Lecture/Performance
2008-2009	College Music Society, International Conference, Croatia Wind Trio Music by Central European Composers, Trio Chômeurs, Invited but unable to attend
2007-2008	International Double Reed Society, 36 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Ithaca, NY <i>Attracting New Audiences to Classical Music</i> , Trio Chômeurs <i>Fantasy for Wind Trio</i> by Kenneth Kreuzer, World Premiere Performance
	College Music Society South Central/Southern Super-Regional Conference, Baton Rouge, LA  Music and Art: A Lasting Impression, Lecture/Performance, Trio Chômeurs

# Selected Clinics and Master Classes

2015-16	Escuela de Artes Musicales, Universidad de Costa Rica, San Jose, Costa Rica, <i>Masterclass</i> 2015 TMEA All-State Audition Clinic, Brownsville, TX
2014-15	2014 TMEA All-State Audition Clinic, Brownsville, TX University of North Texas, Denton, TX, Masterclass Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, TX, Masterclass Texas Women's University, Denton, TX, Masterclass Liberty High School, Frisco, TX, Clarinet Fundamentals Clinic Edinburg North High School, Edinburg, TX, Summer Band Camp Clinician
2013-14	University of Maryland, College Park, MD, Masterclass George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, Masterclass University of North Carolina Charlotte, Charlotte, NC, Masterclass University of Southern Mississippi, Hatiesburg, MS, Masterclass University of Idaho, Moscow, ID, Masterclass
2012-13	Puebla Conservatory of Music, Puebla, Mexico, <i>Masterclass</i> Fausto Aguirre Escuela Superior de Music, Cholula, Mexico, <i>Masterclass</i> Baylor University, Waco, TX, <i>Clinician</i>
2011-2012	Puebla Conservatory of Music, Puebla, Mexico, Masterclass University of Texas Pan American, Edinburg, TX, Masterclass
2009-2010	Trevino School for the Performing Arts, Laredo, TX, Masterclass
2008-2009	Puebla Conservatory of Music, Puebla, Mexico, Masterclass

2007-2013 Region 28 5A and ATSSB Texas All-State Audition Clinic, Brownsville, TX Region 15 5A and ATSSB Texas All State Audition Clinic, Alamo, TX

## **Ensemble Performance Experience**

2009-Present	Valley Symphony Orchestra, Edinburg, TX, Co-Principal Clarinet
2002-2007	Champaign-Urbana Symphony Orchestra, Champaign, IL, Substitute Clarinet
2005-2006	Philharmonic Orchestra of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN, Clarinet and Bass Clarinet
2005	Carmel Symphony Orchestra, Carmel, IN, Principal Clarinet
2005	Chicago Reading Orchestra, Chicago, IL, Principal Clarinet
2000-2003	Eastman Philharmonia, Rochester, NY, Principal Clarinet, Bass Clarinet
2000-2003	Eastman Wind Ensemble, Rochester, NY, Principal, Section, E-flat, & Bass Clarinet
2000-2001	Eastman Chamber Orchestra, Rochester, NY, Principal Clarinet
1998-1999	Waco Symphony Orchestra, Waco, TX, Substitute Clarinet
1998-1999	Lyric Opera of Waco, Waco, TX, Substitute Clarinet
1997-1999	Baylor Symphony Orchestra, Waco, TX, Principal Clarinet, Section, E-flat Clarinet
1997-1999	Baylor Wind Ensemble, Waco, TX, Principal Clarinet, Section, Bass, E-flat Clarinet
1994-1996	Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra, Las Cruces, NM, Principal Clarinet
1993-1996	Dona Ana Lyric Opera, Las Cruces, NM, Principal & Second Clarinet
1993-1996	NMSU Symphonic Winds, Las Cruces, NM, Principal Clarinet

## **Chamber Music Experience**

2012-Present 2011-Present	Frontera Chamber Players/Frontera Trio Sin Fronteras New Music Ensemble
2008-Present	UTB Faculty Woodwind Trio
2006-2009	Trio Chômeurs (Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon)
2003-2005	KAJAA Woodwind Quintet
2003	Eastman Clarinet Quartet – 2003
2001	East Ave. Trio (Clarinet, Cello, Piano)
1997-1999	Baylor Graduate Woodwind Quintet

## Recent Solo & Chamber Music Performances

2015-16	Faculty Solo Recital, UT Rio Grande Valley, Brownsville, TX Guest Recital, Escuela de Artes Musicales, Universidad de Costa Rica, San Jose, CR Trio Frontera Performance, National Flute Association, Washington, D.C.
2014-15	Faculty Solo Recital, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Trio Frontera Recital, University of North Texas, Denton, TX Trio Frontera Recital, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, TX Trio Frontera Recital, Texas Women's University, Denton, TX Concerto Soloist, UT Brownsville Symphony Orchestra, Concerto no. 1 for Clarinet and

Concerto Soloist, UT-Brownsville Symphony Orchestra, *Concerto no. 1 for Clarinet and Orchestra* by Carl Maria von Weber, Brownsville, TX

Chamber Music Recital, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Guest Performer, Texas A&M University Kingsville Clarinet Day, Kingsville, TX 2013-14 Solo Performance, Austin Chamber Music Festival, Austin, TX Faculty Solo Recital, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Faculty Recital with Dr. Cristina Ballatori, flute, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Frontera Duo Recital, University of Maryland, College Park, MD Frontera Duo Recital, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA Frontera Chamber Players, St. Paul Chamber Series, Corpus Christi, TX Solo Guest Recital, University of North Carolina Charlotte, Charlotte, NC Solo Guest Recital, University of Southern Mississippi, Hatiesburg, MS Solo Guest Recital, University of Idaho, Moscow, ID 2012-2013 Chamber Music Performance, Brownsville Contemporary Music Festival, Brownsville, TX New Music Recital, Sin Fronteras, Music of Russell Reed, Brownsville Contemporary Music Festival, Brownsville, TX Faculty Solo Recital, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Concerto Soloist, Black Dog by Scott McAllister, w/ UTB Wind Ensemble, Brownsville, TX and South Texas Tour (9 concerts) Concerto Soloist - Concerto no. 1 in f minor by Carl Maria von Weber, w/ UT Pan American Clarinet Ensemble, Edinburg, TX Guest Recital, Escuela Superior de Musica, Cholula, Mexico New Music Recital, Sin Fronteras Ensemble, Solo and Chamber Works of Kawai Shiu, Brownsville, TX Guest Recital, Clavier-Werke Concert Series, Steinway Gallery, Austin, TX 2011-12 Faculty Solo Recital, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Frontera Duo Recital, The Music of Russell Reed, Austin, TX Faculty Recital, Hispanic Heritage Concert, Patron of the Arts, Brownsville, TX Faculty Recital with UTB Faculty String Quartet, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Featured Soloist, Texas Music Educators Association, National Conference with Brownsville Vela Middle School Choir, San Antonio, TX Faculty Solo Recital, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX 2010-2011 Guest Recital, University of Texas Pan American, Edinburg, TX Faculty Recital, Hispanic Heritage Concert, Patron of the Arts, Brownsville, TX Faculty Recital with Dr. Cristina Ballatori, flute, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX UTB Faculty Trio, University of Texas Pan American Summer Series, Edinburg, TX UTB Faculty Trio, Recruitment and Outreach Performances

Faculty Solo Recital (Fall & Spring Semesters), UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX

Concerto Soloist, Matamoros Chamber Strings, Concertino for Clarinet, Bassoon and

Symphony Orchestra, Brownsville, TX

Orchestra by Franz Danzi, Matamoros, Mexico

Concerto Soloist, Concertino for Clarinet, Bassoon and Orchestra by Franz Danzi, w/ UTB

Featured Soloist, Valley Symphony Orchestra, Prelude, Fugue and Riffs by Leonard

Bernstein, Edinberg, TX

2009-2010

Faculty Recital, Hispanic Heritage Concert, Patron of the Arts, Brownsville, TX Chamber Recital, UTB Faculty Trio, Patron of the Arts Series, Brownsville, TX Faculty Recital, Dr. Kenneth Saxon, piano, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Chamber Recital, Patron of the Arts Summer Festival, Brownsville, TX

2008-2009

Faculty Solo Recital (Fall & Spring Semesters), UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Chamber Recital, Trio Chômeurs, Patron of the Arts Series, Brownsville, TX Chamber Recital, Trio Chömeurs, Brownsville Museum of Art, Brownsville, TX Chamber Recital, UT Pan American Summer Concert Series, Edinburg, TX UTB Faculty Trio, UTB Wind Ensemble South Texas Tour (8 concerts) UTB Faculty Trio, Holiday Concert, U.S. Consulate, Matamoros, Mexico UTB Faculty Trio, El Paseo Arts Foundation, Port Isabel, TX

2007-2008

Faculty Solo Recital, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX Trio Chômeurs, Music at St. Jerome's Church Series, Rochester, NY Trio Chômeurs, Art Space Series, South Bend, IN

### **Commissions and Premieres**

2015	new(er) counterpoint for clarinet ensemble by Mathew Campbel
2011	Dream Fantasies IV for flute & clarinet by Russell Reed
2009	Hymns of Summer for Flute, Clarinet and Bassoon, by Alixandra Baldwin
2007	Fantasy for Wind Trio for Flute, Clarinet and Bassoon by Kenneth Kreuzer

## **Adjudication Experience**

2012-2013	Region 28 Texas UIL Solo and Ensemble Festival, San Benito, TX UTB Concerto Aria Competition, Instrumental Division, Brownsville, TX
2011-2012	Region 28 Texas UIL Solo and Ensemble Festival, San Bentio, TX UTB Concerto Aria Competition, Instrumental Division, Brownsville, TX
2010-2011	Music Teachers National Association Southern Division Young Artist Woodwind Performance Competition, Birmingham, AL Region 28 Texas UIL Solo and Ensemble Festival, San Benito, Texas
2009-2010	Region 28 All-Region Band Auditions, Harlingen, TX Region 28 Texas UIL Solo and Ensemble Festival, San Benito, TX Region 28 Middle School All-Region Band Auditions, Bronwsville, TX

## **University Service and Recruitment**

Since I began at UTB I have organized and implemented the following continuing studio and departmental recruitment initiatives:

2014-15	South Texas Flute & Clarinet Festival, Co-Director Junior High All-Region Clinic (Service Learning), Co-Director
2013-2014	Brownsville Flute & Clarinet Festival, Co-Director
2012-2013	Texas All-State Mock Audition Competition (Service Learning), Director Brownsville Contemporary Music Festival, Founder & Director
2011-2012	Woodwind Summer Chamber Music Camp (Service Learning), Co-Director
2010-2011	Junior High All-Region Clinic (Service Learning), Co-Director UTB Woodwind Day, Co-Founder & Director
2009-2010	Scholarship Clarinet Lessons, UTB Music Academy, Director UTB High School Honors Woodwind Choirs, Co-Founder & Director UTB Clarinet Club, Founder & Advisor
2008-2009	Woodwind Chamber Ensemble Program (Service Learning), Co-Founder UTB High School Honors Clarinet Choir, Founder & Director

## **Visiting Guest Artists**

While at UTB, I have organized the following guest artist performances and master classes for the benefit of students in the UTB Clarinet Studio and Department of Music and for members of the local community.

2014-15	Charles Neidich, The Juilliard School Wonkak Kim, Tennessee Tech University
	Gregory Raden, Dallas Symphony Orchestra Boris Allakhverdyan, Metropolitan Opera Orchestra
2013-2014	Nathan Williams, University of Texas at Austin Dr. Jun Qian, Baylor University Dr. Richard Shanley, Baylor University Dr. Kellie Lignitz, Hahn, Texas A&M University-Kingsville
2012-2013	Kenneth Grant, Eastman School of Music Michael Webster & Webster Trio, Rice University
2011-2012	Imani Winds Wind Quintet

Dr. Richard Shanley, Baylor University Robert DiLutis, Louisiana State University

2010-2011 Dr. Patricia Card, Sam Houston State University

### **Grants**

#### 2014-15 UTB Community Engagement Grant, \$500, University-wide Award

Awarded to help cover expenses for the 2015 South Texas Flute & Clarinet Festival, an event that draws over 500 community members for performances, participatory clinics and workshops.

#### 2011-12 National Endowment for the Arts, \$10,000, National Award

Challenge America Fast Track Grant awarded to support a public performance and outreach activities by the Imani Winds Wind Quintet at UTB in April 2012. Outreach activities included interactive concerts for local middle school and high students, and workshops and master classes for UTB music students.

### UTB Annual Fund, \$750, University-wide Award

Awarded to help fund the participation of a member of the UTB Clarinet Studio in the Eastern Music Festival summer program in Greensboro, NC.

### Related Experience

#### 2013-14 Interim Director, Patron of the Arts, Brownsville, TX

Responsible for managing the daily operations of the Patron of the Arts Concert Series. Patron of the Arts sponsors approximately 50 performances annually. Duties of this position include marketing, development, operations, finance, artistic planning, audience development and member relations.

#### 2012-Present Frontera Chamber Music Society, Co-Founder & President

The Frontera Chamber Music Society is a registered non-profit organization that advances and promotes chamber music throughout the Rio Grande Valley through community performance, education, and outreach.

#### 2011-2013 Associate Chair, Department of Music, UT Brownsville, Brownsville, TX

Assisted the department chair in operations and strategic planning for the UTB Department of Music. Responsibilites included long-term planning, budget, scheduling, and curriculum development.

#### 2006-2007 Operations Director, South Bend Symphony Orchestra, South Bend, IN

Ensure that the scheduling and production of all orchestra events run smoothly, effectively and within the established and approved budget as well as serving as the administrator for the personnel of the orchestra. Assist in Artistic Planning and

Educational Programs. Oversee the work of the orchestra librarian, stage crew and production companies.

## **Professional Memberships**

International Clarinet Association
Texas Music Educators Association
College Music Society
Music Teachers National Association
National Association of College Wind & Percussion Instructors