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# David Orvek

## *Curriculum Vitae*

### EDUCATION

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#### **The Ohio State University**

2019 M.A. in music theory (in progress)

#### **Southern Adventist University**

2016 B.S. in music theory and literature, *summa cum laude*

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Fall 2017–present      Graduate Teaching Associate — Music Theory I and II  
The Ohio State University  
Coordinators: Anna Gawboy and Dan Shanahan

Graduate Teaching Associate — Aural Skills I and II  
The Ohio State University  
Coordinator: Ann Stimson

2015–2016              Private Guitar Instructor

Fall 2014–Fall 2016    Teacher's Assistant — Music Theory I – IV  
Southern Adventist University  
Coordinators: Peter Cooper and Judy Glass

Fall 2014–Fall 2015    Instructor – Basic Musicianship  
Southern Adventist University  
Instructor of record: W. Scott Ball

## UNPUBLISHED RESEARCH

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- 2018 “Non-Syntactical Closural Features in Atonal Music by Schoenberg, Webern, and Berg”  
“Exploring Cohn’s Sum-Class System Through Charles Villiers Stanford’s *La belle Dame sans merci*”  
“Form-Generating Elements in Anton Webern’s String Quartet (1905)”  
“Serialism in Three Chamber Works of Reginald Smith Brindle”
- 2017 “The Visualization of Tonality Through Color in the Animations of Stephen Malinowski”  
“Sonata Form in the First Movement of Edvard Grieg’s String Quartet in G Minor, Op. 27”
- 2016 “Ex Nihilo: An Inquiry into the Nature of Musical Composition”

## AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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- 2016 Top Achiever Award for Academic Excellence  
Southern Adventist University
- 2014 GPA Scholarship  
Southern Adventist University
- Honors Scholarship  
Southern Adventist University
- 2013 Music Performance Scholarship  
Southern Adventist University

## PRESENTATIONS

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- 2016 Fall Campus Research Day — Southern Adventist University  
“Ex Nihilo: An Inquiry into the Nature of Musical Composition”  
Presentation of senior thesis
- 2015 Fall Campus Research Day — Southern Adventist University  
“Suite for Flute and Guitar”  
Performance of original composition

## PERFORMED COMPOSITIONS

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2018    *ailiphilia*  
         solo guitar

2016    *Short and Suite*  
         solo guitar

*Mabel Wood Hall*  
         recorded sound

*Call to Prayer and Response*  
         SATB Choir

2015    *Suite for Flute and Guitar*

*String Trio in D, I*

*Portrait*  
         solo guitar

## SERVICE

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Fall 2014 and 2015    Freshman Mentor  
                         Southern Adventist University

## OTHER SKILLS

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### Instruments

         Classical guitar

### Coding

         Humdrum, Python, Bash, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Ruby

### Notation Software

         Finale

### Languages

         German (intermediate), French (novice)

## **SUMMARY OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Music Theory I and II – The Ohio State University**

#### Duties

As a Graduate Teaching Associate, I was responsible for the day-to-day learning that took place in the classroom, all grading and bookkeeping, and for holding regular office hours and one-on-one tutoring sessions. Though I worked from a coordinated curriculum, I had considerable freedom in the kinds of examples, exercises, and other activities I used in class. I also participated in weekly meetings to during which decisions were made about the curriculum and its implementation.

#### Student Composition

One section of twenty to twenty-five first-year music majors (mostly music education emphasis).

#### Course Description

These courses cover the fundamentals of music theory including intervals, scales, chords, melodic construction, counterpoint, four-part vocal writing, figured bass, roman-numeral analysis, and analysis of small forms.

### **Aural Skills I and II – The Ohio State University**

#### Duties

As a Graduate Teaching Associate, I was responsible for the day-to-day learning that took place in the classroom, all grading and bookkeeping, and for holding regular office hours and one-on-one tutoring sessions. Though I worked from a coordinated curriculum, I had considerable freedom in the kinds of examples, exercises, and other activities I used in class.

#### Student Composition

One section of ten to fifteen first-year music majors (mostly music education emphasis).

#### Course Description

These courses engage the content of music theory I and II from aural and performance perspectives. Class activities include sight singing, rhythmic exercises, conducting, and dictation of intervals, scales, chords, melodies, rhythms, and harmonic progressions.

## **Music Theory I, II, II, and IV – Southern Adventist University**

### Duties

As a Teacher's Assistant, I was responsible for creating daily quizzes, occasional teaching (two or three classes per semester), holding review and tutoring sessions, and most of the grading.

### Student Composition

One section of ten to twenty-five music majors and minors.

### Course Description

These courses study western classical music from the common practice to the twentieth century through the lens of harmony with a special emphasis on four-part vocal writing.

## **Basic Musicianship – Southern Adventist University**

### Duties

As the instructor, I was responsible for all aspects of the course except for matters of official university records like assigning mid-term and final grades (since the university did not allow undergraduates to be instructors of record).

### Student Composition

This course is a small (usually two to five students) recitation section of music theory I and II for students who scored poorly on the music theory entrance exam.

### Course Description

Students enroll in this course concurrently with music theory I and II, and the content tracks along with that of the main music theory section. Class periods consist largely of hands-on practice and reinforcement of the fundamentals of music theory such as scales, key signatures, intervals, chords, melodic construction, figured bass, roman numeral analysis, and four-part vocal writing.

## **Private Guitar Lessons**

As a private guitar instructor, I was responsible for teaching weekly one-on-one lessons to students of all ages (children and adults) and experience levels. Content included the fundamentals of guitar technique (both classical and popular styles), music reading, and music theory.