

# Daniel Townsend

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Objective: Continue growing in my educational practice through pursuit of a Clear Credential in Multiple Subjects and graduate studies in curriculum & instruction or educational leadership.

## Education

- 2013-2017 **California State University, Fresno: Smittcamp Family Honors College** Fresno, CA. 3.65 GPA. B. A. in Music Composition, *Cum Laude* w/ Presidential, Collegiate, and Phi Kappa Phi Honors.
- 2009-2013 **Redwood High School** Visalia, CA. 4.42 GPA. Golden State Merit Seal on Diploma and California Scholastic Federation Lifetime Membership. AP Scholar w/ Distinction. Nat'l. AP Scholar.

## Work Experience

- 2017-pres. **Visalia Unified School District** 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher. Member of Process Champions Committee (2018-pres.). Member of School Site Council and District Advisory Committee (2020-pres.).
- 2017-pres. **Visalia Unified School District** Music Director (vocal/orchestral) for junior high theatre program.
- 2019-2020 **Dancer's Edge** Voice Instructor (group/private) for the Triple Threats and Edge Music programs.
- 2017-2019 **Good Shepherd Catholic Parish** Cantor and Pianist for the Music Ministry (2-4 masses/weekend).

## Collegiate Activities (General)

- 2013-2017 **Smittcamp Family Honors College** Member of a 50-student cohort within a highly selective 200-student honors college in which each student receives a full, merit-based scholarship.
- 2015-2017 **College of Arts and Humanities Honors Program** Member of a college honors program that required completion of a thesis (in my case, an original musical theatre work) over 3 semesters.
- 2017 **Veterans Oral History Project** Interviewed a Vietnam veteran and prepared a 40-page transcript.
- 2016 **Study Abroad** 3-wk. program in Florence, Italy w/ special focus on Renaissance art and literature.
- 2013-2014 **Alternative Spring Break** Co-Coordinator for Fresno Rescue Mission outreach/restoration project.

## Collegiate Leadership Positions

- 2013-2017 **Composer's Guild** Vice President 2016-2017, Treasurer 2015-2016, Secretary 2014-2015.
- 2014-2017 **University Student Union, Sustainability Institute, College of Arts and Humanities** Various ambassadorships that included service, advocacy, networking, and leadership development.
- 2014-2016 **Associated Students, Inc.** Senator of the College of Arts and Humanities (2 terms).
- 2013-2014 **Council of President's Scholars** Freshman Representative (1 term).

## Collegiate Musical Study and Performance

- 2013-2017 **Composition** Studied w/ Drs. Kenneth Froelich, Benjamin Boone, and Bradley Hufft. Wrote and premiered original classical works through Fresno State (6 works) and Fresno Grand Opera (1 work). Master classes w/ Ricky Ian Gordon, Dorothy Chang, Leanna Primiani, and the Verdi Quartett.
- 2013-2015 **Voice** Studied w/ Profs. Helene Joseph-Weil and Brigid de Jong. Performed classical solo repertoire. Master classes w/ Betsy Wolfe, Bryan Perri, Vicki Shaghoian, Ellen Shade, and Isabel Bayrakdarian.
- 2013-2017 **Fresno State Concert Choir** 6 semesters under the direction of Drs. Anna Hamre and Cari Earnhart, including 2 high school outreach tours and 2 collaborations w/ Fresno Philharmonic.
- 2016-2017 **Fresno Community Chorus** 2 semesters under the direction of Dr. Anna Hamre, including 2 collaborations w/ Fresno Philharmonic, and a 10-day tour of Spain and the French Riviera.
- 2014-2016 **Fresno State Opera Theatre** 4 semesters under the direction of Dr. Anthony Radford, w/ roles including Moralès in Bizet's *Carmen* and Sid in Britten's *Albert Herring* (also designed programs).

## Additional Musical Study and Performance

- 2018-2019 **Sequoia Chamber Chorale of Visalia** 2 semesters under the direction of Prof. John Sorber.
- 2017-2018 **LinkUp: The Orchestra Sings/Moves** Co-host/performer for 2 concert series w/ Fresno Philharmonic for students in gr. 3-5 based on curriculum from Carnegie Hall's Weill Music Institute.
- 2014-2015 **California Summer Music** 2 summers in a 3-wk. program for instrumentalists and composers. Studied w/ David Tcimpidis, Louis Karchin, and Aaron Jay Kernis, and had 2 works premiered.
- 2013-pres. **Various Performances** Various vocal, piano, and theatrical performances, as well as arranging, cabaret, and theatrical accompaniment. *Performance list available upon request.*

## Affiliations, Memberships, and Certifications

- 2014-pres. **Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society** (2015) and **National Society of Collegiate Scholars** (2014).
- 2016-pres. **American Choral Directors Association** Inducted 2016. Attended Western Division Regional Conf. in Pasadena, CA in Feb. 2016 and National Conf. in Minneapolis, MN in Mar. 2017.
- 2018-pres. **California Commission on Teacher Credentialing** Preliminary Credential via Tulare Co. Office of Education (2020). Certifications in basic skills, multiple subjects, music, and reading instruction.