Kevin Catalon

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Music in Music Education **Sep. 2022 – May 2026**
Westminster Choir College of Rider University *Lawrenceville, NJ*

- Voice Primary; Trustee Scholar Full-Tuition Scholarship; Baccalaureate Honors Program
  - Capstone Thesis: "Achieving Musical Identity: The Dialectics of Taste in the Music Classroom"
- Cumulative GPA: 4.0, *summa cum laude*
- Andrew J. Rider Scholar (Top 1% of class; awarded 3 consecutive years)
- Westminster Choir College Voice Award Recipient (2025)
- New Jersey Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing (CEAS): Music K-12
- Seal of Biliteracy in French (2022)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Student Teacher, *East Brunswick High School, East Brunswick, NJ* **Sep. 2025 – Jan. 2026**

- 2026 NJ Distinguished Clinical Intern Award (Additional Distinction, Top 5 Clinical Interns Statewide)
- Taught 10th–12th grade choir, including Honors Concert Choir, Bella Voce, three non-auditioned choirs, Singing for Musical Theatre, and three after-school ensembles.
- Assumed full teaching responsibility while cooperating teacher was competing internationally.
- Led program of ~160 through vocal technique instruction, warm-ups, rehearsals, and repertoire preparation.
  - Prepared and conducted ensembles for out-of-school performances and Winter Concert.

Substitute Teacher, *ESS* **May 2024 – Present**

- Teach K–12 in all subjects during school breaks; manage classrooms and deliver instruction.

Practicum, *Monroe Township Middle School, Monroe Twp., NJ* **Jan. 2025 – May 2025**

- Taught and observed 6th–8th grade choir through warm-ups and sectional rehearsals.

Practicum, *Littlebrook Elementary School, Princeton, NJ* **Sep. 2024 – Dec. 2024**

- Taught and observed 4th–5th grade general music and choir.
- Prepared lessons and activities teaching music through folk songs, Orff instruments, dances, and technology.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

First Presbyterian Church of Metuchen **Sep. 2024 – Present**
Bass Choral Scholar *Metuchen, NJ*

- Lead sectionals, rehearsals, and assist the Director of Music in preparing weekly worship music.
- Perform repertoire as a featured soloist and leading ensemble singer.

St. George's by the River Episcopal Church **Sep. 2023 – June 2024**
Tenor Section Leader *Rumson, NJ*

- Collaborated with and led members of my section in music-making and choral singing.

PUBLICATIONS

- **Catalon, Kevin.** "'Wiyawi Ebi': A Study of Kalinga Vocal Music from the Philippines." *Nota Bene: Canadian Undergraduate Journal of Musicology* vol. 18, no. 1 2025: 1–28.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP & LEADERSHIP

- National Association for Music Education — Member; **President of Collegiate Chapter (2024–2025)**
  - Doubled collegiate attendance at the 2025 NJMEA State Conference from 10 to 20 students by securing funding and managing travel logistics for a three-day trip.
- American Choral Directors Association — Member; attendee at national & regional conferences.