

## Biography for Elise Naber Allen

**Elise Naber Allen** is adjunct instructor of flute at Georgia College and State University. She has performed with the Bismarck Mandan Symphony Orchestra and the Wichita Falls Symphony. In 2017, she performed at the National Flute Association conference as a member of the NFA Professional Flute Choir, and she has performed at multiple conferences of the North American Saxophone Alliance as a member of the Allen Duo, a flute and saxophone ensemble committed to commissioning and performing new music. Prof. Allen has been published in *The Instrumentalist* and *The Woman Conductor*, and she has presented research and clinics at both the Texas and Georgia Music Educators Association Conferences.

Along with her duties at Georgia College, Ms. Allen is a band director at Oak Hill Middle School in Milledgeville. Prior to working in the Baldwin County Schools, she taught band at Monroe County Middle School in Forsyth. Before returning home to Georgia in 2019 she was the band director at Jacksboro Middle School, Windthorst Independent School District, and Wichita Christian School in Texas.

Dr. Allen holds a Bachelor of Music in Music Education and a Performer's Certificate in flute from the University of South Carolina, a Masters of Music in Music Education from the University of North Texas, and a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Music Education from Auburn University. She has received additional training in flute pedagogy at Texas Woman's University. Her primary teachers include Jennifer Parker-Harley, Pamela Youngblood, and Lisa Mahoney.