Biography - Paul Budde

Dr. Paul J. Budde is an Associate Professor of Music at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls, where he serves as both the Music Education Coordinator and the Department Chair for the Music and Stage and Screen Arts (MUSASA) Department. As an professor, he teaches a variety of music and music education courses, serves as the applied tuba/euphonium instructor, and supervises student teachers. Previously, Budde served as an adjunct professor of music at colleges in and around the Twin Cities (MN) from 2004-2014, and he taught middle and high school band and general music in Wisconsin and Minnesota from 1993-2004. As an educator and leader, he is passionate about finding ways to blend the best of traditional music education with forward-looking ideas that align with the ever-changing needs of students in the 21st century.

Budde earned a Bachelor of Music Education from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (1993), a Master of Music in Tuba Performance from the University of Minnesota (2004), and a Ph.D. in Music Education from the University of Minnesota (2011). In addition, Budde served as President for the Wisconsin Music Educators Association (WMEA) from 2020-2022