

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The School of Music in the J.T. & Maragert Talkington College of Visual & Performing Arts at Texas Tech University invites applications for a full-time, 9-month, Assistant Professor of Practice in Collaborative Piano to begin September 1, 2026.

Position Number: 43245BR

Appointment: Tenure track, beginning fall 2026 Application Deadline: Applications are due on January 11, 2026. Salary: Commensurate with qualifications and experience

MAJOR/ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

At Texas Tech University, the Professor of Practice title is used to recruit individuals with exceptional backgrounds and achievements in academic, business, government, or other professional practice. Primary responsibilities normally will be to teach in an area of expertise, mentor students in professional and career preparation, and liaise with professional contacts and entities on behalf of the department or program.

In line with TTU's strategic priorities to engage and empower a dynamic student body, enable innovative research and creative activities, and transform lives and communities through outreach and engaged scholarship, applicants should have experience working with a breadth of student populations at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels within individual or across the areas of teaching, research/creative activity, and service.

As a faculty member in the School of Music, you will be expected to:

- Recruit and retain students for the MM collaborative piano degree and certificate programs in the areas of instrumental and vocal music
- Lead and oversee all collaborative piano curriculum and activities
- Teach lessons, mentor and advise a studio of MM collaborative piano students, including studio classes
- Oversee and coordinate all graduate assistants who serve as collaborative pianists in support of the instrumental and voice/opera areas
- Recommend collaborative assignments for faculty collaborative pianists and vocal coaches to the director
- 6. Teach courses related to collaborative piano
- 7. Perform collaborative piano needs to support the School of Music

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. An earned doctorate in collaborative piano, piano performance, or closely related area prior to the start date
- 2. Demonstrated experience teaching applied, one-on-one collaborative piano lessons and courses in collaborative piano.
- 3. Relevant professional activity and experience that demonstrates emerging or established national/international recognition in the field of Collaborative Piano.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

In addition to the required qualifications, individuals with the following preferred qualifications are strongly encouraged to apply:

- Evidence of skills to work across schools in the College of Visual and Performing Arts.
- Proven ability to recruit and retain a talented and diverse cohort of students to collaborative piano programs within the School of Music.
- 3. Excellent interpersonal, organizational, communication, and time management skills.
- 4. A record of success in recruiting and program building for a collaborative piano program.
- Ability and desire to engage in service activities such as curricular review and programmatic assessment, overseeing the collaborative piano area, coordinating student assignments, and serving on committees as necessary.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT:

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or status as a protected veteran.

SAFETY INFORMATION:

Adherence to robust safety practices and compliance with all applicable health and safety regulations are responsibilities of all TTU employees.





THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC

The School of Music is NASM accredited and offers the B.A. in Music, the B.M. in Music with concentrations in Music Education, Composition, Performance, and Theory, the M.M. in Music Education, the M.M. in Music with concentrations in Composition, Conducting, Music Theory, Musicology, Piano Pedagogy, and Performance, the D.M.A. with tracks in Composition, Conducting, Performance, and Piano Pedagogy, the Ph.D. in Music Education, the Ph.D. in Fine Arts with concentrations in Arts Administration. Music Education. Musicology, and Music Theory, the Undergraduate Minor in Music, Undergraduate Certificates in Community Arts Entrepreneurship, Jazz Studies, and World Music, and Graduate Certificates in Early Music Performance Practice, Woodwind Specialty and Piano Pedagogy. A faculty of 61 full-time professors serves approximately 335 undergraduate students and 175 students involved in graduate study. The University Library contains a wide array of music resources, including musical scores, recordings, videos, and instructional media. For more information, visit www.depts.ttu.edu/music.

J.T. & MARGARET TALKINGTON COLLEGE OF VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

The J.T. & Margaret Talkington College of Visual & Performing Arts comprises the School of Art, the School of Music, and the School of Theatre & Dance. With more than 120 faculty members and approximately 1,050 students, the College offers a comprehensive range of undergraduate and graduate degree programs, including the terminal M.F.A., D.M.A., and Ph.D. degrees. Our unique Ph.D. program in Fine Arts provides interdisciplinary education for students interested in engaging with multiple art forms or combining methodologies from the arts and sciences or arts and humanities. For more information, visit www.vpa.ttu.edu. The J.T. Margaret Talkington College is a Values Culture Organization. https://www.depts.ttu.edu/visual-performing-arts/about/values-culture/index.php

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Established in 1923, Texas Tech University is a Carnegie R1 (very high research activity) Doctoral/Research-Extensive, Hispanic Serving, and state-assisted institution. Located on a beautiful 1,850-acre campus in Lubbock, a city in West Texas with a growing metropolitan-area population of over 300,000, the university enrolls over 40,000 students with 33,000 undergraduate and 7,000 graduate students. As the primary research institution in the western two-thirds of the state, Texas Tech University is home to 10 colleges, the Schools of Law and Veterinary Medicine, and the Graduate School. The flagship of the Texas Tech University System, Texas Tech is dedicated to student success by preparing learners to be ethical leaders for a diverse and globally competitive workforce. It is committed to enhancing the cultural and economic development of the state, nation, and world.





LUBBOCK, TX

Referred to as the "Hub City" because it serves as the educational, cultural, economic, and health care hub of the South Plains region, Lubbock boasts a diverse population and a strong connection to community, history, and land. With a mild climate, highly rated public schools, and a low cost of living, Lubbock is a family-friendly community that is ranked as one of the best places to live in Texas. Lubbock is home to a celebrated and ever-evolving music scene, a vibrant arts community, and is within driving distance of Dallas, Austin, Santa Fe, and other major metropolitan cities. Lubbock's Convention & Visitors Bureau provides a comprehensive overview of the Lubbock community and its resources, programs, events, and histories.

HOW TO APPLY

Apply online at **texastech.edu/careers**. Please include the following documents in your application:

- 1. Curriculum Vitae
- 2. Cover Letter
- 3. Link to samples of performances of varied vocal and instrumental repertoire (minimum of 25 minutes of music) recorded within the last two years. Please list venue and date for each performance.
- 4. List of 5 references with contact information

Questions about this position should be directed to **Prof. Daniel del Pino**, Search Committee Chair **ddelpino@ttu.edu** If you need assistance with the application process, contact Human Resources, Talent Acquisition at hrs.recruiting@ttu.edu or 806-742-3851

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The deadline to submit applications is on January 11, 2026. To ensure full consideration, please complete an online application at: https://sjobs.brassring.com/TGnewUI/Search/Home/

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