

**“Getting Your First College Teaching Job” Panel Discussion  
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**Description:**

For many graduate students and members of our euphonium and tuba community, getting the first college job whether right out of graduate school or after being employed in a number of other ways can be a daunting task. This panel discussion is centered about the growing trend of having additional skills and experience beyond euphonium and tuba teaching and performing abilities. Each member of the panel has become experts in multiple music subjects as a gateway into their college positions. The format of the panel discussion is for each member to relate part of their teaching career to what additional knowledge and skills helped them become employed, a general discussion about how one prepares to enter the college teaching job market, and a summary of what works and does not work. The audience is invited to participate in the discussion with questions and answers.

**Resources:** Use various key word searches like “finding a college teaching job” or “higher education music job vacancies” to add to the list below.

**VACANCIES:**

The College Music Society (paid membership access)

[http://www.music.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=1462&Itemid=1249](http://www.music.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1462&Itemid=1249)

Music Jobs – HigherEdJobs.com

A listing of current openings:

<http://www.higheredjobs.com/faculty/search.cfm?JobCat=124>

Chronicle of Higher Education music openings:

[https://chroniclevitae.com/jobs/position\\_types/6](https://chroniclevitae.com/jobs/position_types/6)

**TIPS FOR SUCCESS:**

New England Conservatory Career Center:

“Applying for Music Teaching Positions in Higher Ed.”

[http://necmusic.edu/pdf/careerservices/Career\\_Services\\_Applying\\_For\\_Music\\_Teaching\\_Positions\\_in\\_Higher\\_Education.pdf](http://necmusic.edu/pdf/careerservices/Career_Services_Applying_For_Music_Teaching_Positions_in_Higher_Education.pdf)

CareersinMusic.com:

“College or University Music Educator”

<http://www.careersinmusic.com/college-university-music-teacher.aspx>

University of North Carolina:

“How Do I Get an Academic Teaching Position”

[http://cfe.unc.edu/teaching/teaching\\_position.html](http://cfe.unc.edu/teaching/teaching_position.html)

Chronicle of Higher Education:

“First Time on the Market?”

<http://chronicle.com/section/First-Time-on-the-Market-/146/>

The Catholic University of America:

“Finding Your First Teaching Job in Academe”

<http://careers.cua.edu/res/docs/finding-first-teach-pos-in-academe.pdf>

The Graduate College of the University of Illinois:

“Applying for Teaching Positions at Community Colleges”

<http://www.grad.illinois.edu/careerservices/communitycolleges>

Collegeteachingtips.com:

“How to Find a Part-time College Teaching Job”

<http://collegeteachingtips.com/764/find-part-time-college-teaching-job>