Assistant/Associate Professor of Practice, Center Executive Director 42851BR

Junction

Position Description

Outreach and Engagement at Texas Tech University invites applications for a full-time, 12-month Assistant/Associate/Professor of Practice Executive Director position at the Center in Junction to begin January 1, 2026.

We seek candidates with administrative experience and teaching experience at the post-secondary level. The successful candidate will be expected to teach undergraduate and/or graduate-level courses in an online format. In addition, the position includes administrative responsibilities to oversee the Outdoor Learning Lab, professional staff at Junction, the Junction Conference Center, and all activities related to facilitating and maintaining outreach and engagement partnerships, including K-12 partnerships and STEM activities and programs.

While appointed to this position, you will accrue vacation and will be required to report leave monthly following TTU's Operating Policy 70.01 and TTU System Regulation 07.12. Since you will accrue vacation, you will follow a staff holiday schedule, which is available here:

https://www.depts.ttu.edu/hr/empbenefits/holidayschedule.php

All prospective employees are encouraged to visit Work at Texas Tech to learn more about becoming a part of our campus community.

About the 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.

About Lubbock: 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.

About the College

The Office of Outreach and Engagement TTU Office of Outreach and Engagement was established to provide innovative, collaborative and strategic leadership and support for the university's strategic priority of engagement with communities across the region, state, nation and the world. Engagement includes members of the university and the community working together to address a community need or pressing societal issue. The units included in the Office of Outreach and Engagement include the Ranching Heritage Center, the Museum of Texas Tech, the TTU Press, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, and TTU Center at Junction.

About the Department/School/Area

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The Junction community was funded in 1876 and has approximately 3,000 residents. Junction is located approximately 115 miles northwest of San Antonio and 140 miles west of Austin in central Kimble County. It lies near the western end of the Texas Hill Country. The climate in this area is characterized by hot, humid summers and generally mild to cool winders. Junction is home to several parks, including the South Llano River State Park. The city has several swimming pools, golf and tennis courses, and is home to the Kimble

County Historical Museum and the O.C. Fischer Museum housed in the Kimble County Library.

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 diverse student body, enable innovative research and creative activities, and transform lives and communities through outreach and engaged scholarship, applicants should have experience working with diverse student populations at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels within individual or across the areas of teaching, research/creative activity, and service.

In line with TTU's strategic priorities that include transforming lives and communities through outreach and engaged scholarship, applicants should have experience working with a wide range of populations related to community engagement and student engagement in a variety of teaching domains.

Organization

Texas Tech University

Faculty Qualifications

A Ph.D. in related fields such as education, science, biology, and STEM.

Teaching experience at the undergraduate or graduate level.

Administrative experience to oversee professional staff and faculty at TTU, Center at Junction.

Expertise in assessment and evaluation of outdoor learning environments,

Demonstrated experience in establishing partnerships related to community outreach and engagement.

Preferred Qualifications

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

Experience in implementation of professional development workshops and activities for K-12 teachers related to STEM.

Experience in outdoor learning environments.

Interest in applied research activities

Duty Point

TTU Lubbock, main campus and affiliated facilities

Safety Information

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

Does this position work in a

research laboratory?

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Special Instructions to Applicants

Please include the following documents in your application:

- 1. Curriculum Vitae
- 2. Cover Letter
- 3. Outreach and Engagement Leadership Statement
- 4. Teaching Statement
- 5. Names and contact information for three references

Questions about this position should be directed to Ann M. Mastergeorge, Search Committee Chair at ann.mastergeorge@ttu.edu.

Job Type Full Time Pay Basis

Pay Statement Monthly

Compensation is commensurate upon the qualifications of the individual selected and budgetary guidelines of the hiring department, as well as the institutional pay plan.

Travel Required

Up to 25%

Job Group NonTenure track

EEO Statement

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

Salary Grade

800

Applications must be received by

11/30/2025