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HIGHLY PRODUCTIVE  
AND TO FOCUS ON  
MY RESEARCH.”*

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—Stefan Love '10E (MA), '11E (PhD)  
Assistant Professor of Music Theory,  
University of Massachusetts Amherst

After earning his bachelor's degree from Brown University in 2006, Stefan Love knew he wanted to go to graduate school for jazz music theory. Eastman School of Music was a great fit for him.

He credits Eastman with giving him strong research acumen, strengthening his academic writing

skills, and helping him be an observant teacher who creates a positive learning environment for his students.

The Sproull Fellowship alleviated financial worries and afforded the time for him to focus on completing his master's and then his doctoral work. He finished both in just four years.