Assistant Professor of Religious Studies (Catholic Studies) (Tenure-Track)

ABOUT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY:

Our Vision: To be the preeminent Catholic University in Canada, known as a centre of academic excellence providing a vibrant and engaged student experience that prepares authentic leaders committed to the service of others.

Our Mission: Open to all and grounded in the Catholic Intellectual Tradition, St. Mary's University educates the whole person to inspire and empower tomorrows engaged, global citizens for the future.

Our Values: As a Catholic community, we value being Welcoming and Serving of all, Academic Excellence and Faith.

As an independent Catholic university in Canada, with a strong emphasis on liberal arts and sciences, St. Mary's University prepares its students to live with integrity, compassion and confidence while embodying a compassionate commitment to ethics, social justice, and respect for diversity of opinion and belief. St. Mary's is focused on developing the whole person: mind, body and spirit. For more information about St. Mary's and our Strategic Plan, visit https://stmu.ca/ *and* https://stmu.ca/about-us/strategic-plan/.

ABOUT THIS OPPORTUNITY:

Applications are invited for a tenure-track (research- or teaching-stream) position in Religious Studies with a specialization in the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. The successful candidate will teach in our Social Justice and Catholic Studies (SJCS) degree program and across our curriculum, including in areas such as Catholic social thought and Catholic philosophy.

Course descriptions may be found online at https://stmu.ca/academics/academic-calendar/.

Main responsibilities for this position will include:

- Instruction and assessment of students in the relevant course content, adhering to learning outcomes
- Maintain excellent communication with students, staff, faculty, and Area Chair
- Supervise SJCS Capstone students
- Meet the requirements for teaching, research (if applicable), and service

APPOINTMENT/TERM DATE: July 1, 2027

QUALIFICATIONS:

- A PhD in relevant field (must be in-hand by date of appointment)
- Previous teaching experience
- Record of research and publication or strong potential (if applying for research-stream)
- Verification of credentials are required
- Police information check may be required

VALUES & ATTRIBUTES:

- Alignment with institution values and strategic plan pillars
- Upholding core competencies associated with the institution's four pillars
- Knowledge of, and respect for, the institution's Catholic mission and identity
- Fostering equity, diversity, and inclusion, as well as Truth and Reconciliation

WHAT WE OFFER:

As a part of the St. Mary's University community, eligible employees received a comprehensive compensation and total rewards package that includes, but is not limited to, a group benefits package, health spending account, RRSP matching, and generous paid time off.

The collective agreement can be found online at https://stmu.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Collective-Agreement.pdf

OUR COMMITMENTS:

St. Mary's University is committed to Indigenous Truth and Reconciliation. Our land acknowledgement and Indigenous initiatives information can be found at https://stmu.ca/campus-life/indigenous-initiatives/. St. Mary's University is an equal opportunity institution. We hire on the basis of merit and are passionate about building and sustaining an equitable and welcoming campus environment where diversity in all areas is celebrated and valued. If you require support services or accommodations during any stage of the recruitment process, please include this in your application. All requests will be handled with the utmost confidentiality.

APPLICATIONS:

Please email application packages to Human Resources at careers@stmu.ca in one PDF document with the subject line: "Assistant Professor of Religious Studies (Catholic Studies)" by **December 15, 2026**. All applicants must submit the following: a cover letter (stating their preferred stream: teaching or research), CV, statement of teaching philosophy (2-page maximum), statement of research (2-page maximum), and the contact information of three references.

We encourage all qualified applicants to apply. Canadian citizens, permanent residents and others currently legally authorized to work in Canada will be given priority. We thank all applicants for their interest. However, only those applicants being interviewed will be contacted. ***No phone calls please.***