Faculty Position Vacancy

Founded in 1852, Wartburg College is a selective four-year liberal arts college of the Lutheran Church (ELCA), nationally recognized for community engagement. The college offers more than 50 academic majors and preprofessional and certificate programs leading to the bachelor's degree. The Wartburg Community is committed to creating and maintaining a mutually respectful environment that recognizes and celebrates diversity among all students, faculty, and staff. As an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution, Wartburg College actively seeks applications from members of underrepresented groups.

DATE ANNOUNCED: February 2018

POSITION: Assistant / Associate / Full Professor of Religion and the Michael and Marge

McCoy Distinguished Chair in Lutheran Heritage and Mission

DEPARTMENT: Religion and Philosophy

STARTING DATE: Fall Term 2018

TIMELINE: Screening of applications begins immediately and continues until position is

filled.

Wartburg College invites nominations and applications for the **Michael and Marge McCoy Chair in Lutheran Heritage** with a preferred starting date of August 2018. The successful nominee will be an outstanding scholar and teacher with a focus on Lutheran theology or history as described below. The successful nominee will contribute to teaching in the department and in general education, and the holder of the McCoy chair will be an articulate voice promoting the mission of the college on our campus and in the world.

Our mission: Wartburg College is dedicated to challenging and nurturing students for lives of leadership and service as a spirited expression of their faith and learning.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Required:

- o A Ph.D. or Th.D. in Lutheran theology or history, or equivalent preparation.
- o Scholarly focus on Martin Luther, Philip Melanchthon, Wilhelm Löhe, or equally relevant figure or topic.
- o An active member of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) or one of the member churches of the Lutheran World Federation (LWF).
- An ability to communicate Lutheran theology, particularly the Lutheran understanding of vocation, persuasively to Lutheran and non-Lutheran audiences.
- o A commitment to the mission of Wartburg College, and the ability to further the mission on campus and in the world.
- Relevant teaching experience and evidence of an established record of academic publications.
- o Promise of continued scholarly prominence.

Preferred:

- Desire and ability to contribute to general education including involvement in the IS 101 freshman seminar and / or a leadership role in other parts of the general education program.
- A record of engagement with all levels of Lutheran education: secondary, postsecondary, seminary.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Teach the equivalent of seven undergraduate courses across the fall, winter, and four-week May term. Reassigned time may be available depending on the characteristics, interests and other responsibilities of the successful candidate.
- Advise departmental majors and minors.
- Collaboratively develop and execute initiatives that further the Wartburg mission on our campus.
- o In consultation with President and VPAA, develop liaison relationships with external organizations.
- o Carry out meaningful scholarship related to the required qualifications above.
- Provide an annual report summarizing the work and its impact on students, and describe how funding from the McCoy Endowment has supported the mission of Wartburg College, enhancing student learning and engagement.

SALARY: Competitive

CONTRACT: Nine-month, tenured or tenure-track contract.

APPLICATION: Nominations or application package (Letter of application that addresses the required and preferred qualifications, curriculum vita, graduate transcripts, statement of teaching philosophy, and contact information for three current references) should be sent electronically to: HR@wartburg.edu. For specific questions contact Ramona Bouzard, Chair of Search Committee at (319) 352-8234 or ramona.bouzard@wartburg.edu. Department webpage: http://www.wartburg.edu. Further information about the College and the city of Waverly may be found at http://www.wartburg.edu.