

## Faculty Position Vacancy

### Teaching Fellow (Religion)

#### Position Description

Wartburg College is at an exciting moment as it embarks upon “Our Brightest Days: Realizing Purpose, Leading Change,” the College’s new strategic plan. As indicated in the newly adopted vision statement, “Wartburg College is called to be the leading institution in education of the whole person. Together, we create an inclusive community combining diverse curricular and co-curricular experiences to prepare students to be resilient leaders of positive change through service in a complex world.”

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 pre-professional and certificate programs leading to the bachelor’s degree. The college is located in Waverly, Iowa, a growing community of more than 10,000 residents. As part of the Cedar Valley metro area (near Waterloo and Cedar Falls), Waverly has an abundance of cultural, musical, and recreational opportunities. Major Midwest metropolitan areas within driving distance include Des Moines, Iowa (2.5 hours); Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn. (3 hours); Madison, Wis. (3.5 hours); Rochester, Minn. (2 hours); Chicago (5 hours); and Omaha, Neb. (4 hours). 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.

POSITION: Lecturer or Visiting Assistant Professor in Religion

TITLE: Visiting Teaching Fellow (1-year appointment)

COMPENSATION: Competitive salary and benefits; college housing may be available (TBD)

START DATE: August 2024

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

#### The Position

The Teaching Fellow will contribute to the Department of Religion and Philosophy, teaching a 2-3-1 load, including religious studies and general education courses, mentoring students, and giving a public presentation based on their research. This is an ideal position for an early career educator, awarded the PhD within the past two years or ABD, interested in teaching in a liberal arts environment. A faculty mentor will be assigned and the fellow will participate in our comprehensive faculty development program. The term is one-year, renewable for an additional year dependent upon strong performance.

**Qualifications:**

Successful candidates will provide evidence of the following qualifications:

**Required**

PhD awarded no earlier than 2022, or ABD, in Religion, Philosophy or related discipline.

**Preferred**

Relevant teaching experience in religion, philosophy or related discipline.

Successful candidates will also have a demonstrated commitment to promoting diversity, inclusion, and cultural competence in an educational and work environment and must be willing to support the College's [mission](#) and contribute to the [strategic plan](#).

**Primary Responsibilities:**

- Serve as instructor of record for assigned courses, holding office hours for students, grading tests and papers, providing other instruction-related duties, and mentoring students.
- Actively participate in faculty development opportunities, attend faculty workshops, attend faculty meetings.
- Give one public presentation per year related to the research interests.

**Application Procedure:**

A complete application will include 1) a cover letter that addresses the strengths the candidate will bring as a teacher and scholar to a liberal arts college environment; 2) a curriculum vitae; 3) a separate statement that addresses how your experiences with teaching, scholarship, and/or service will contribute to a college community that includes a commitment to diversity and inclusion as one of its core values; 4) contact information for 3 references. This information should be submitted electronically to: [HR@wartburg.edu](mailto:HR@wartburg.edu) or by regular mail to: Jamie Hollaway, Director of Human Resources, Wartburg College, 100 Wartburg Blvd., Waverly, IA 50677-1003. For specific inquiries contact Justin Jeffcoat Schedtler, Religion and Philosophy Department Chair ([justin.schedtler@wartburg.edu](mailto:justin.schedtler@wartburg.edu)). For further information about the college and the city of Waverly, see <http://www.wartburg.edu>. Wartburg College requires a criminal background check for position finalists.

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