

Visiting Scholar in Religious Studies - Defiance College for Spring 2018 and AY 2018-2019

The Charles K. and Esther C. Krieger Visiting Scholars Program at Defiance College invites applications for a January 2018 start. The Visiting Scholar will teach three courses per semester in religious studies, including courses in the scholar's area of interest and the first year seminar Global Issues. The Visiting Scholar will also coordinate a series on interfaith dialogue and understanding, engage in research benefitting students and society, and prepare an annual report of activities which will be due to the foundation. Additionally, in spring 2019 the Visiting Scholar may supervise a trip to Israel through Defiance College's McMaster School for Advancing Humanity.

The position provides an annual salary of \$44,000 with room and board, plus health benefit eligibility. The successful applicant will hold a Ph.D. in Religion or Religious Studies or other relevant field with an emphasis on one of the three Abrahamic traditions such as Jewish Studies, Islamic Studies, or Christian Studies. An advanced ABD candidate will also be considered.

To apply for this position, please submit a cover letter addressing your aptitude and experience in Abrahamic traditions teaching, your approach to interdisciplinary teaching, and entry level courses you might be interested in teaching in these traditions; an updated curriculum vitae; and three letters of reference electronically to Michelle Call at mcall@defiance.edu with the subject line "Visiting Scholar Position."

Consideration of applications will begin on November 15, 2017 with a position start date of January 2, 2018. Questions regarding the application process or the position can be directed to Dr. Agnes Caldwell at acaldwell@defiance.edu with the subject line "Visiting Scholar Position."

Located in Defiance, Ohio, Defiance College is recognized as a leader in using ever-changing student-centered classroom approaches to lifelong learning as well as for its dynamic service-learning experiences. Community members repeatedly refer to Defiance College as an exemplar of service. The Defiance College community is dedicated to instilling within our students a search for truth, sensitivity to our world and diverse cultures within it, and the ability to lead in their chosen professions with a spirit of global service. As a United Church of Christ related college, we emphasize learning based on the four pillars of our educational philosophy: to know, to understand, to lead, and to serve. Immersed in this philosophy, our students have earned national recognition for their commitment to service, and Defiance College is among the top 20 schools in the nation for community service and engagement. The college was selected as a Presidential Award Finalist for the 2013 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, one of only four colleges and universities in the Midwest to receive the prestigious recognition. Founded in 1850 Defiance College is a private, co-educational college with over 40 major areas of study leading to bachelor's degrees as well as master's programs in education and business. The city of Defiance has 17,000 residents and is just a few hours from the following major cities: Detroit, MI; Columbus, OH; Cleveland, OH; and Chicago, IL; and Indianapolis, IN. Additional information about Defiance College is available at www.defiance.edu.

Defiance College is committed to the diversity of faculty, staff, and students. Applicants who will enrich the diversity of our campus and promote a spirit of inclusivity are especially encouraged to apply.