

SAINT JOHN'S UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND SEMINARY invite applications for a full-time Director of Ministerial Formation. We seek candidates whose research, teaching, and ministerial service prepare them to direct the ministerial formation and field education programs of the School of Theology and Seminary (SOT/Sem) and to teach graduate courses in pastoral and/or practical theology. Areas of teaching specialization are open within the fields of practical and pastoral theology, including but not limited to pastoral care, pastoral counseling, missiology, ministerial leadership or administration, spiritual formation, chaplaincy, youth or young adult ministry, or a specific area of applied or contextual theology. Intersectional appreciations for culture, race, gender, sexuality, class, and ability are vital.

The successful candidate will demonstrate potential for excellent teaching and service to the SOT/Sem. They will show promise for administering the formation curriculum involving an array of specific activities (e.g. practicums, supervised ministry, formation workshops and events, theological reflection groups, spiritual companioning groups, assessing ministerial readiness, developing intercultural competencies, portfolios). They will appreciate the ways in which the SOT/Sem integrates rigorous academics and innovative ministry formation as part of a larger Benedictine and Catholic commitment to formation of the whole person through the lens of the USCCB's outline of human, pastoral, intellectual, and spiritual formation for lay and ordination candidates for ministry. The Director of Formation is supported by and supervises the Associate Director of Formation who, in coordination with the Director, leads particular programs and initiatives in the overall formation program.

In pursuit of its Catholic mission, Saint John's School of Theology and Seminary educates and forms roughly 150 students for life, ministry, and service by integrating world class academics, Benedictine practices, and a spiritual community in a contemplative environment. The SOT/Sem embraces intercultural living with attention to diversity, equity, and inclusion as informed by our Catholic and Benedictine values. Applicants should illustrate commitment to teaching and forming a diverse student body with respect to race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, and theological perspective.

Required qualifications include completion of the doctoral degree within six months of appointment, evidence of potential for effective university-level teaching in the area of pastoral/practical theology, experience in Roman Catholic ministry (e.g., parish, hospital, school, campus ministry, social justice), and a demonstrable capacity for administrative responsibilities.

Interested applicants may read more about the position at:

<https://www.schooljobs.com/careers/csbsju/jobs/4226030/director-of-ministerial-formation>

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Application materials include:

1. Cover letter (outlining experience in formation work, areas of teaching interests, and resonance with the SOT/Sem's mission, including its commitment to intercultural ministry with diverse student populations)
2. *Curriculum vitae*
3. Statement of teaching philosophy with attention to method in ministerial formation
4. Three reference contacts.

Review of applications begins December 1, 2023.