



**Meadville Lombard Theological School
Assistant Professor of Religious Education**

Description

Meadville Lombard Theological School seeks applications and nominations for an assistant faculty position in religious education. The tenure-track appointment will begin in Fall 2025. The ideal candidate demonstrates a deep commitment to interdisciplinary, interfaith, and intersectional approaches in teaching, scholarship, and leadership, particularly emphasizing liberation and social justice.

Meadville Lombard is an academically rigorous, spiritually grounded, unapologetically progressive graduate theological institution in downtown Chicago. It is deeply committed to teaching and learning for social justice and transformation.

This appointment entails teaching five courses per academic year and advising in all our degree programs (M.Div., M.A.R., and D.Min.) that prepare students for ministry and public leadership. The successful candidate will arrive prepared to teach introductory and advanced courses and have a robust scholarly research agenda.

Qualifications

Successful applicants will have completed a Ph.D. in religious education or a cognate field by the time of appointment. Highly preferred candidates will have experience in religious education in faith communities and have acquired a Master's level degree in theology or cognate field. The candidate should be able to teach students who embody diversity across religion, race, gender/sexuality, and ability; be able to work with colleagues across disciplines; have an interest in interreligious and interfaith studies; and be capable of facilitating in-person, online, and multiplatform teaching and learning as well as co-curricular events/programs for clergy, laity, public leaders, and activists across the country.

Application Instructions

Meadville Lombard Theological School is related to the Unitarian Universalist faith tradition, which embraces a plurality of faiths and spiritual practices and has historically strong commitments to social justice. As a school, we are intentional about diversity of thought (perspectives, research, and teaching) and material diversity within our community. Successful candidates will evidence commitment to these priorities.

Meadville Lombard Theological School is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages women, people of color, and people with disabilities to apply. The school is committed to enriching its educational experience through its diverse faculty, administration, and staff.

Meadville Lombard Theological School offers a highly competitive salary and benefits package. We understand the importance of financial security and work-life balance, and we are committed to providing our faculty with the resources they need to thrive in their roles.

Interested applicants should submit:

1. Cover Letter
2. Current CV

3. Academic Writing Sample (no more than 20 pages)
4. 3 References – academic and professional (contact information only at this time)
5. Diversity Statement – may include your interpretation of diversity, inclusion, and gender equity and must include specific examples of how your educational and/or professional experiences, background/philosophy have prepared you for this role (maximum 500 words).

By email to:

Meadville Lombard Theological School
Faculty Search Committee
facultysearchcommittee@meadville.edu

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Review of applications begins November 1, 2024. In-person and virtual interviews will take place during and around the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.

We thank all applicants in advance for their interest, however,

ONLY CANDIDATES SELECTED FOR AN INTERVIEW WILL BE CONTACTED.

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