J. Michael Miller Chair in Catholic Studies

St. Mark's College, the Catholic Theological College affiliated with the University of British Columbia, invites applications for the **J. Michael Miller Chair in Catholic Studies**. This Chair celebrates the legacy of Archbishop Miller, his passion for Catholic education and the impact he has had in Vancouver and the broader community. Archbishop Miller taught theology at the University of Saint Thomas in Houston (UST) for many years, and also taught at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome and the Seminario Regional del Sureste in Tehuacán, México. He served as President of UST for six years, then later as Secretary of the Congregation for Catholic Education in Rome. As Archbishop of Vancouver, he has been a strong supporter of Catholic higher education and of missionary discipleship and evangelization, dialogue and engagement with the world, and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Activities of the Chair will support his legacy in these areas through teaching, research, and service.

We seek an outstanding and enthusiastic teacher and scholar with demonstrated excellence in undergraduate / graduate teaching (experience with online / virtual teaching is especially welcome), research, and community engagement. The area of theological specialization is open. However, candidates who have an ability to teach across the theological curriculum and whose research profile and teaching experience includes one or more cognate fields (i.e. philosophy, religious studies, English, history etc.) are especially welcome. Some experience in program development and / or review will be considered an asset.

The successful candidate will hold the J. Michael Miller Chair for a period of five years at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor. Although the College does not have a tenure system, the successful candidate will be considered a permanent faculty member at St. Mark's College and will have the opportunity to seek renewal at the end of the five-year term. The standard salary range at the Colleges for assistant and associate professors starts between $65,000 - $90,000.

Permanent faculty members typically teach six courses per academic year and are expected to perform administrative and service responsibilities in support of the College and its mission. In the case of the Chair, the latter will include a unique commitment to community engagement that may include: public presentations for general audiences; the cultivation of partnerships with Catholic school boards, other dioceses and others interested in ongoing dialogue; and dialogue with persons /groups of other faith traditions and of no faith at all. Successful candidates will also be expected to maintain an active research profile that is commensurate with the heavy teaching and service requirements of the Chair.

The Community of St. Mark's at UBC is comprised of St. Mark's College, Corpus Christi College, and St. Mark's Parish. Together we provide a centre of academic excellence for Catholic higher education in British Columbia.

Preference will be given to applicants with a Ph.D. or equivalent terminal degree. The successful candidate must receive a *Mandatum* from the Archbishop of Vancouver.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority in the search. St. Mark's College welcomes applications from any person with the skills and knowledge to contribute productively to the scholarly life of the Colleges. We especially welcome and encourage applications from visible minority group members, Indigenous people, and persons with disabilities.

Applications, including a cover letter, *curriculum vitae*, names and email addresses of three referees who will be contacted if your application moves forward, a statement of teaching philosophy, as well as an example of scholarly writing should be sent by email to: hr@stmarkscollege.ca by January 31, 2024.