

Anisfield-Wolf Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Diversity and Christian Social Ethics

The Department of Theology & Religious Studies (TRS) at John Carroll University invites applications for a post-doctoral fellowship in Christian social ethics beginning in the 2018–2019 academic year and renewable annually through May 2021. Preference will be given to candidates with expertise in Catholic Social Teaching and whose research and teaching engages issues of racism or cultural diversity. Facility in postcolonial, contextual, and/or liberationist approaches to religious ethics is desirable. Eligible candidates should be within 5 years of completion of the PhD degree. This position is supported in part by the Cleveland Foundation, which administers the Anisfield-Wolf Book Awards (www.anisfield-wolf.org).

The successful candidate will be conversant with academic method and theory in the study of religion, particularly religious ethics. The candidate's dissertation research, or in-process book manuscript should reflect and contribute to an understanding of racism and human diversity, broadly defined. An imperative for the Anisfield-Wolf Postdoctoral Fellow is a formal, structured engagement with the broader Cleveland community to disseminate the results of ongoing research, teaching, and scholarship at community forums, and perhaps even as an element of the annual Anisfield-Wolf Book Awards activities. We expect to hire someone who shows promise of excellence in undergraduate teaching, including cross-disciplinary collaboration in JCU's integrative core curriculum (e.g., team-teaching, learning communities); is committed to course and program assessment; and affirms the Catholic Jesuit mission of the University.

The University is dedicated to a true balance between scholarship and teaching excellence that creates a rigorous and challenging learning environment. Post-doctoral fellows carry a 2+2 teaching load (including undergraduate courses of approximately 25 students each), assist with academic advising, and participate in faculty governance. Course descriptions and other information about JCU's TRS department are available at http://go.jcu.edu/trs. Conference travel and other types of research support are available to all faculty.

Candidates are asked to submit a letter of application detailing interest and qualifications for the position, including a research proposal that engages issues of racism and diversity, a current curriculum vitae, transcripts from all institutions of higher education, and email addresses of three referees (from whom we will obtain confidential letters of recommendation). A teaching philosophy, sample syllabi, peer course evaluations (if available), summative student course evaluations, and a writing sample may also be included, if desired.

Applications received by 15 February 2018 will be granted full consideration. Review of applications will begin on that date and continue until the position is filled. All applications must be submitted through John Carroll's PeopleAdmin website at https://jcu.peopleadmin.com/.

John Carroll is a Catholic Jesuit institution dedicated to inspiring persons to excel in learning, leadership, and service. JCU was founded in 1886 and is among 28 Jesuit institutions of higher learning in the United States. Rated as a top regional institution, JCU enrolls 3,125 undergraduate and 700 graduate students and is a significant contributor to the cultural and intellectual life of northeast Ohio. The smoke-free campus is situated in University Heights, an attractive residential suburb ten miles east of downtown Cleveland.

John Carroll University is an affirmative-action equal-opportunity employer. The university is committed to diversity in the work place and strongly encourages applications from women and minorities.