



**Tenure-Track Professor of Pastoral Theology
School of Theology and Religious Studies**

The School of Theology and Religious at The Catholic University of America seeks to fill a tenure-track, open-rank position in Pastoral Theology to begin in Fall 2026.

We seek candidates who understand, are enthusiastic about, and will make a significant contribution to the [mission of the University](#), which reads as follows: “As the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, founded and sponsored by the bishops of the country with the approval of the Holy See, The Catholic University of America is committed to being a comprehensive Catholic and American institution of higher learning, faithful to the teachings of Jesus Christ as handed on by the Church. Dedicated to advancing the dialogue between faith and reason, The Catholic University of America seeks to discover and impart the truth through excellence in teaching and research, all in service to the Church, the nation and the world.”

The School encourages applications from candidates with research and teaching agenda in one or more areas of Pastoral Theology, for example, pastoral counseling, the intersection of psychology, spirituality and religion and intercultural competencies. The successful candidate will possess a doctoral degree (Ph.D. or S.T.D) and will be a scholar of recognized stature or demonstrable potential in the field of Pastoral Theology. Candidates will show readiness to contribute to the life of the School of Theology and Religious Studies, especially in its Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry programs. Responsibilities include teaching in graduate and seminary programs, advising students, directing theses and dissertations, and serving on various committees of the School and University. Experience in seminary formation, seminary teaching, or pastoral counseling is desirable. Experience and/or scholarship in Hispanic Catholic Ministry is also desirable.

The position is tenure-track, with research and scholarship expectations. While the School has a strong preference for priest applicants, lay persons are welcome to apply. Rank and salary will be determined on the basis of academic credentials and publication record.

Applications should include the following:

- A cover letter
- A *curriculum vitae*
- A one- to two-page personal statement indicating how your research, teaching, and service will make a distinctive contribution to our [University's mission](#) and to the vision of Catholic education outlined in the Apostolic Constitution on Catholic Universities [Ex Corde Ecclesiae](#), and for Ecclesiastical Faculties, [Veritatis Gaudium](#).



Upon favorable initial review, candidate will be asked to present:

- Three letters of recommendation
- For priests or religious, a letter of endorsement by the applicant's ecclesiastical superior is required

Review of applications will begin in Fall 2025 and continue until the position is filled. To apply, please send the required materials to the Chair of Pastoral Theology Search Committee of the School of Theology and Religious Studies at trs-jobs@cua.edu.

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