GEORGE AMES ENDOWED POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

The Department of Theology, Fordham University, seeks to appoint the inaugural holder of the George Ames Endowed Postdoctoral Fellowship for academic years 2018–2019 and 2019–2020.

Through the Ames Fellowship, Fordham’s Faculty of Arts and Sciences will join the Jesuit Post-Doctoral Diversity Program Consortium, which provides new pathways for scholars from underrepresented backgrounds to obtain teaching and research experience at U.S. Jesuit institutions of higher education. The Theology Department is grateful to the Dean of Arts and Sciences Faculty, the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, the Chief Diversity Officer, the Chief Research Officer, and the Office of the Provost for the opportunity to make this appointment.

The fellow’s duties will be to teach three undergraduate core curriculum courses each year (that is, a 2-1 teaching load). Specific assignments will be determined in light of the fellow’s expertise and the department’s needs but will likely be a combination of sections of the department’s introductory course, “Faith and Critical Reason”, and one or more second-tier “Sacred Texts and Traditions” courses. The ability to offer courses in any of the areas of contemporary Catholic theology and ethics; the sacred texts of the Middle East and comparative courses in premodern Islamic, Jewish, and Christian traditions; and the religions of the modern Americas (including but not limited to Latinx religions, indigenous religions, African-American religions, and Afro-Caribbean religions) is especially welcome.

Teaching may be at any campus of Fordham University. Required is an earned doctorate conferred or to be conferred between January 1, 2015, and September 1, 2018. In addition to competitive compensation and benefits, the fellow will be eligible to receive support for research and/or travel; extensive mentorship from senior faculty; invitations to participate in the department’s and University’s ongoing faculty seminars on pedagogy; and access to the resources of the Jesuit Post-Doctoral Diversity Program Consortium.

A complete application consists of a personal letter of application, CV, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and the names of two references. Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, for full consideration. Please email application materials to hornbeck@fordham.edu.

Please address any questions to Patrick Hornbeck, Chair, Department of Theology, at hornbeck@fordham.edu.

Fordham University is an independent, Catholic University in the Jesuit tradition that welcomes applications from men and women of all backgrounds. Fordham University is committed to excellence through diversity and welcomes candidates of all backgrounds; it is an equal opportunity employer.