

**Wartburg Theological Seminary**  
**Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology**  
**Position Description**

Wartburg Theological Seminary—a vibrant, innovative, and growing seminary—is seeking an Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology to teach as a member of a highly collaborative theological faculty. This position requires commitment to and skill in teaching the Christian faith with Scripture, the Creeds, and the Lutheran Confessions as foundational, while drawing on insights from other disciplines (for example, Bible, history, philosophy, natural science, or social science). Candidates should be qualified to teach required courses in theology. In the exercise of teaching this professor is expected to present with competence Lutheran Confessional commitments, including the Loehe tradition, with global expressions of the Christian faith. A secondary teaching competency in teaching Lutheran Confessions, Mission, or Christian Ethics in a Lutheran framework that will complement the current composition of the WTS faculty will strengthen the application. A Ph.D. or Th.D. in the discipline of systematic theology, or nearing completion of such, is required.

This professor is expected to contribute to the common work of a faculty which values and participates in a community-oriented, worship-centered process of formation. In addition to working with colleagues within the History and Theology Division and the entire seminary faculty, this professor is expected to work cooperatively with the faculty of the Lutheran Seminary Program in the Southwest based in Austin, Texas, and with the global church, as opportunities arise, especially through Global Mission of the ELCA.

This professor will give priority to teaching effectiveness and ongoing research in the field of systematic theology, thereby contributing to the seminary's ministry as part of the larger church. This professor should be ready to affirm Wartburg's mission statement as summarized in the motto, "Where Learning Leads to Mission and Mission Informs Learning," and share in the seminary's commitment to contextualization, the global church, and lifting up valued leaders for God's mission through the church. In addition to student advising and administrative responsibilities, this professor is expected to contribute to the common work of a faculty which values and participates in a highly collegial and integrative curriculum. Wartburg's faculty employs dynamic methods of teaching and learning with both residential and distance students, who participate both synchronously and asynchronously.

Candidates whose ethnicity or geographic origins have been historically underrepresented in theological education are encouraged to apply. Membership and ordination/rostering in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America or a partner church within the world communion of Lutheranism is expected.

Starting rank for this position is negotiable if the candidate brings seminary or college teaching experience. This position is tenure eligible, beginning with a three-year term appointment, and commences July 1, 2020. Consideration for tenure comes normally in the fifth year of service.

Applicants should submit cover letter, curriculum vitae, and list of references to Andy Willenborg, Human Resources, Wartburg Theological Seminary, at [hr@wartburgseminary.edu](mailto:hr@wartburgseminary.edu). Questions may be addressed to Mr. Willenborg at [hr@wartburgseminary.edu](mailto:hr@wartburgseminary.edu) or 563-589-0217. The search committee will begin reviewing materials after 15 March 2020 and continue until the search process is completed.

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