Position Description



Associate Lecturer in Old Testament

Every member of the Ridley College Faculty plays a vital role in achieving our vision to equip men and women for God's mission in a rapidly changing and increasingly complex world. We look to our Faculty to work diligently, prayerfully and collegially to serve our students and equip them for Christian service.

This fulltime Faculty position has been established to provide a career pathway (or "tenure track") for an emerging scholar. It involves teaching Old Testament on campus, online supervision and tutoring, and associated activities related to the pastoral care and formation of students and operation of the College.

Key Attributes

- Christian convictions, character and life-style;
- Evangelical faith and life, within the broad range of Creedal Christianity, and sympathetic to the Anglican ethos of the College;
- PhD candidature as a minimum in a relevant area of Old Testament;
- An interest in training, encouraging, and mentoring students;
- Excellent references that testify to the character, skills and Christian faith and practice of the applicant;
- Must be currently eligible to work in Australia;
- The position is open to women and men.

Beliefs

Faculty are required to affirm the following doctrinal statement: 'I assent to the following doctrinal statement, and will teach in accordance with it:

- The divine inspiration and entire trustworthiness of the Holy Scriptures and their supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
- The unity of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit in the Godhead.
- The universal sinfulness and guilt of humanity since the fall, rendering men and women subject to God's wrath and condemnation.
- The conception of Jesus Christ by the Holy Spirit and his birth by the Virgin Mary.
- Redemption from the guilt, penalty and power of sin only though the sacrificial death, as our representative and substitute, of Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God.
- The bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
- The necessity of the work of the Holy Spirit to make the death of Christ effective in the individual sinner, granting him or her repentance towards God, and faith in Jesus Christ.
- The indwelling and work of the Holy Spirit in the believer.
- The expectation of the personal return of the Lord Jesus Christ'.

Main Duties

Online tutoring and coordination of online subjects (3 units/60 students);

- Classroom teaching in foundational Old Testament (3 hrs per week) during semester plus extra marking;
- Some online tutoring and/or supervision over summer;
- Supervise occasional projects as required;
- Attend chapel (3 times per week), morning tea (4) and lunch (2) during semesters 1 & 2;
- Lead a Life and Ministry Group and provide a small amount of mentoring (2 hrs pw);
- Preach 1-2 Chapel sermons per semester;
- Participate in post-graduate seminars (3 per semester);
- Occasional deputations;
- Interview prospective students (and other minor responsibilities);
- Attend College activities and major events as detailed in the Faculty Staff Manual.

Critical Success Factors

- Student-centred teaching which builds understanding and confidence in the Bible and the ability to use the Bible in ministry;
- Consistent grading that aligns to marking rubrics with clear, relevant and detailed feedback;
- Formation of students, building godliness, character and resilience;
- Contribution to the communal life of the College, including chapel and Life and Ministry Groups, and to the collegiality of the faculty;
- Growth in confidence and ability in teaching, formation and scholarship.

Terms

- The successful candidate will enjoy excellent professional development opportunities and a strong collegial environment.
- One year initial contract, with two year extension.
- If a further contract as a Lecturer is offered after three years, a sabbatical semester will be available after a further 18 months.
- Remuneration will be discussed with short-listed candidates.
- Preferred commencement date: Semester 1, 2018.

Applications should be emailed in one pdf document that includes a cover letter and CV. Your CV should provide:

- Contact details;
- Educational qualifications (most recent first);
- Employment history (most recent first), including a summary of key responsibilities and achievements;
- Ministry activity (most recent first).

References will be required only from short-listed candidates.

Please send your application or any questions to the Principal, Rev Dr Brian Rosner at a.crane@ridley.edu.au

Applications close 9am, 11 September, 2017.