

OBLATE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

San Antonio, TX

Position Description

Full-Time Faculty Position: Professor of Moral Theology

Summary of Position

Oblate School of Theology, a Roman Catholic school of Theology and Ministry serving the Southwest United States, invites applications for a Professor of Moral Theology with a preferred start date of August 2024. Rank and sub-specialization are open. The course load is five graduate classes per year.

The candidate should possess a firm commitment to the robust Catholic moral tradition that is both attentive and responsive to the complex ethical challenges confronting the Church as it proclaims the gospel. Research in a variety of specializations and issues is welcome, including, but not limited to, areas such as social justice, migration, the environment, health care, family life, and the dignity of the human person in community. Critical scholarship in service of the pastoral needs of the Church and the Catholic faithful is particularly valued. The ideal candidate will be prepared to teach a sequence of masters-level courses in Foundations of Moral Theology, Bioethics and Health Care, Theology of Human Sexuality, and Catholic Social Teaching. Teaching responsibilities also include elective courses in one's area of expertise.

The successful candidate will be a Roman Catholic in good standing, who meets the requirements of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae* and is willing to request a *mandatum*. See: <https://www.usccb.org/committees/catholic-education/guidelines-concerning-academic-mandatum> He or she will also be willing and able to work with colleagues in all aspects of graduate professional theological education in an ecumenically diverse setting. This includes serving on faculty committees, advising and mentoring students, and directing theses and dissertations for the MA, DMin, and PhD programs.

Inspired by the charism of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Oblate School of Theology educates, forms, and renews men and women to “preach the Gospel to the most abandoned.” Established in 1903, OST is a vibrant and complex educational institution that provides theological and ministerial leadership in both academic and professional degrees. Its PhD program in Spirituality has grown exponentially in the ten years since its beginning. The school is equally committed to the pastoral and theological education and formation of students from seven dioceses and seven different religious orders who are studying for priesthood. Other established programs include academic degrees such as the MA in Theology, the MA in Spirituality, and the recently launched MA in Sacred Scripture. Professional programs include the DMin, the MDiv, the MA in Pastoral Ministry, and the Maestría de Artes en Ministerio

Pastoral which is offered bilingually in Spanish and English. OST likewise resources the local church with several vibrant lay certificate programs. Institutes such as the Sankofa Institute for African American Pastoral Leadership, the Institute for the Study of Contemporary Spirituality, and the Instituto de Formación Pastoral provide academic homes for students studying across the degree programs.

Accountability

Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean

Department

Faculty

Education and Experience

- Doctorate in Theology

Skills and Qualifications

- Demonstrated excellence in teaching and scholarly research in the area of moral theology.
- Demonstrated sensitivity to and ability to work with the diverse academic, socioeconomic, cultural, ecumenical, and ethnic backgrounds of members of the school community.
- Demonstrated commitment to innovative pedagogy in diverse formats (hybrid, online, face-to-face).
- Interest in the predominately Hispanic cultural milieu of the church in the Southwestern U.S.
- Fluency in both Spanish and English is desirable.

To Apply

To apply, please submit a C.V., a cover letter addressing your teaching and research interests, and a list of three references to facultysearch@ost.edu. References will not be contacted until the final stages of the process. Position open until filled.