ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY (BIBLICAL STUDIES)
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT
TENURE TRACK

Application review begins October 15, 2012. The position will remain open and applications will be reviewed until filled. Campus interviews are anticipated for late November and early December 2012. Start date: July 2013.

Founded in 1890, Whitworth has been consistently ranked among the top regional colleges and universities in the West. In its strong liberal arts undergraduate and graduate programs, Whitworth unites a robust commitment to Christian mission and service, academic rigor, and care for students. A community of Christian scholars carries out the university’s mission “to provide its diverse student body an education of the mind and heart” to enable students “to honor God, follow Christ, and serve humanity.” The Theology Department is situated within the College of Arts and Sciences, which bears primary responsibility for providing an education that is grounded in the great tradition of liberal arts and sciences and committed to the integration of faith and learning.

Whitworth’s Theology Department excels in introducing students to the Christian faith. The curriculum includes courses in a wide variety of subjects, including biblical languages, biblical studies, Christian theology, church history, theological ethics, Christian spirituality, world religions, and philosophy of religion. The department also offers an MA in Theology and a Certification for Ministry track, which prepare students for vocational ministry. Faculty members in the department have earned a reputation for being excellent teachers, mentors, scholars, and servants of the church. Theology majors pursue a wide variety of vocational options in addition to traditional ministry in the church and para-church organizations. For a further description of the Theology Department and the work of its faculty, please see http://www.whitworth.edu/Academic/Department/Theology/index.aspx.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:
Teach seven courses a year, concentrating on biblical studies and biblical theology; serve as mentor and advisor to students; engage in research and writing in biblical studies and related fields. Participate in departmental activities and governance, professional activities, and faculty assemblies, development days, retreats, and committees. Contribute expertise in biblical studies to the wider campus and church community.

QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:
- Ph.D. or Th.D. in theology or related field or ABD by August 2013
- Evidence of the potential for teaching excellence at the university level
- Evidence of the potential to make a scholarly contribution to either Old Testament or New Testament studies (area of specialization open)
- A personal commitment to the Christian faith, to the integration of faith and learning, to the flourishing of both global and local church, and to service to the Christian community
- The ability and desire to establish a positive relationship with persons regardless of race, gender, physical limitation or religious belief
- A commitment to equal opportunity; and a commitment to the educational mission of Whitworth University as a Christian liberal arts college affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA)
- Background check and educational verification required
APPLICATION PROCESS:
Please submit the following required application documents:

1. A letter of interest
2. Résumé/curriculum vitae
3. A list of names, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of three references
4. Graduate and undergraduate transcripts (may be unofficial)
5. Three recent student course evaluations (if available)
6. A short personal essay (approximately 300 words) describing your personal Christian faith. This essay about your Christian commitment is intended to be a personal, authentic statement in your own words that will help the committee to determine your interest in joining Whitworth's "Community of Christian scholars." (See HR link on Whitworth website for faculty faith essay guidelines www.whitworth.edu/facultyfaithessay)

Please send your application documents by email attachment to jobs@whitworth.edu. If this is not possible, you may mail them to the following address:

Human Resource Services, Auld House
Attn: Chair, Theology Faculty Search Committee
Whitworth University
Spokane, WA 99251

Whitworth complies with all federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws that are applicable to religious nonprofit institutions and does not engage in unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. With our commitment to building a diverse community, the university encourages applications from populations underrepresented at Whitworth including members of racial/ethnic communities, women, and persons with disabilities.