



ST JOHN'S COLLEGE

ESTABLISHED 1866

Ecumenical Chaplain/ Spiritual Advisor Half-time Position

St John's College was founded in 1866. With roots in the early days of the Red River Settlement, St John's College is the oldest anglophone institution of higher education in Western Canada. We are one of the three founding colleges of the University of Manitoba. Membership is open to any student enrolled in the University.

MISSION: St John's College, a founding member College of the University of Manitoba, fosters an inclusive and supportive post-secondary, co-ed, and residential learning community informed by Anglican tradition, for students, fellows and staff from varied disciplines and programs.

The ecumenical chaplain is supported by the Anglican tradition but serves as a mentor and support person for all students of all faiths. Faith-based initiatives with students will pull together Christians from a broad range of traditions. While the chaplain is based at St John's College (SJC), his or her ministry is not exclusive to members of the College. The focus of chaplaincy falls into four main categories: a) Christian faith mentoring and development; b) international student welcome and support; c) the empowerment of students in their pursuit of social justice, both on campus and in students' home communities; and d) fostering fellowship among students. Below are listed the specific expectations of the chaplain in relation to the SJC community specifically and the university more generally. These are followed by expectations for both SJC and the supporting church bodies.

Responsibilities:

- Mentor Christian students in faith and life
- Provide leadership training and support to St John's College Student Council
- Assist the Dean of Residence with healthy living programming in the residence, i.e. sex education, drinking, drugs, etc.
- Support all other students as needed with mental health, relationships, and referrals
- Make a priority of social justice and pursue the crossroads of justice, peace, and faith
- Steward the chapel as a space of prayer, quiet rest, meditation, and music. Preside at the sacraments including Eucharist, Baptism, and Marriage as needed and oversee Burials in the Chapel.
- Liaise with other chaplains and faith communities to create a strong network of student support

Qualifications:

- A graduate degree in theology (Master's of Divinity or equivalent)
- Membership in the Anglican (Church of Canada) or Lutheran (ELCIC) traditions; ordination or in process toward ordination will be considered an asset
- Chaplaincy training, such as Clinical Pastoral Education or equivalent experience
- At least three years of experience working in a ministry leadership capacity
- Willingness to seek out partnerships with congregations to connect with potential students
- Experience with, and knowledge of, a diversity of Christian traditions including an awareness of worldwide forms of Christianity
- Demonstrated commitment to and broad experience with social justice as a major tenet of the Christian faith
- Excellent written and oral communication skills, especially with social media and online networking
- An ability to deal well with conflict
- A commitment to diversity, particularly cultural diversity; experience working with other cultures considered an asset
- Basic training in mental health and a thorough knowledge of the resources available to students for referral
- Experience working with young people and teaching the faith in creative, culturally relevant ways

If you are interested in this opportunity to contribute to the success of the St John's College Mission, please forward your resume as well as a letter addressing your skills, experience and fit for this position together with the names, addresses and phone numbers of three referees. Deadline for the receipt of applications: **Friday, September 4, 2020.**

**Address all applications to:
Chaplain Search Committee**

Send electronically to: Christopher.Trott@umanitoba.ca

SJC encourages applications from all qualified individuals. We thank all who apply; only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.