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**ST. MARK'S COLLEGE**  
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## **Visiting Scholar in Ethics**

St. Mark's College and Providence Health Care have entered into a partnership to promote the study and understanding of Catholic health care ethics at the College and through Clinical Services at Providence Health Care. This joint undertaking takes place within a broader partnership with the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver around Catholic Health Care Ethics.

### **About the Organizations**

The Community of St. Mark's, which includes St. Mark's College and Corpus Christi College, is the Catholic centre at UBC. St. Mark's College educates undergraduate and graduate students through a theological lens, preparing them to become leaders in Catholic schools, healthcare, and social services.

Inspired by the healing ministry of Jesus Christ, Providence Health Care is a Catholic health care community dedicated to meeting the physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs of those served through compassionate care, teaching and research.

It is the goal of Providence Health Care to respond with compassion and innovation, keeping patients, residents, clients, and their families at the centre of care.

Catholic health care starts with a spiritual purpose: a deep-rooted calling to serve everyone and to come to one other with vulnerability. Every day, health care decision-making becomes ethically more complex for care providers as they come face-to-face with new technologies, and numerous biomedical and scientific advances.

Education and critical reflection about Catholic ethics at both St. Mark's College and Providence Health Care is a response to an urgent need for well-trained professionals and community leaders to provide leadership and counsel in today's challenging environment of rapid technological breakthroughs, limited resources, and shifting social trends.

### **Overview**

St. Mark's College and Providence Health Care are pleased to collaborate in inviting a scholar to spend a shared academic year at our institutions, focusing on different aspects of Social Justice and Compassion in Catholic social teaching.

This position is key to the deepening of St. Mark's College's ability to promote the study and understanding of Catholic ethics and Catholic health care ethics, and to the development of Catholic Clinical Ethics at Providence Health Care. This work is supported and endorsed by the

Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver within a commitment of strengthening academic knowledge, formation and service of Catholic Health Care Ethics.

The scholar would teach two courses at St. Mark's College and would have the opportunity to do research. At Providence Health Care, the scholar would also engage and collaborate with the Clinical Ethics team and with Providence staff, leadership, physicians and researchers. The scholar will provide public lectures over the course of the year, available to both organizations; and will also contribute towards publications and communications about the Scholar's area of study/practice.

This is a one-year position that is scheduled to run from August/September 2022 – July/August 2023.

### **Expectations and Responsibilities spread over the course of the year**

At St. Mark's College, the successful candidate will

- conduct research in an area of ethics
- teach two courses
- participate in discourse with faculty and students
- possibly design an ethics course

At Providence Health Care, the successful candidate will

- present a 3 day health ethics workshop or an equivalent combination of workshop sessions, to be determined in consultation with PHC leadership
- contribute towards ongoing Providence Mission and Ethics projects
- be involved in formation for PHC executive and leadership including program leads and clinicians

For both institutions, the successful candidate will

- give at least one of the co-sponsored public lectures in the Compassion and Social Justice in Health Care lecture series

### **Compensation**

The stipend includes:

- A housing allowance of \$25,000 (CDN) for the year
- One round trip ticket from the candidate's home to Vancouver, British Columbia.
- A stipend of \$50,000-\$65,000 (CDN) – depending on the candidate's qualifications.

### **Qualifications and Skills**

1. A Doctoral Degree, preferably a Ph.D. or equivalent, including successful defense of a doctoral dissertation; plus a minimum of three (3) years teaching experience in a professional, accredited academic teaching and learning environment, or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience.

2. A theologian with expertise in:
  - Ethics – particularly contemporary clinical health care ethics and Catholic teaching
  - Social Justice
  - Vatican II and its subsequent development in the Church and the world
3. Knowledge, ability and willingness to collaborate in a health care ethics environment, conduct research and teaching on health care ethics, and do some teaching, including one public lecture.
4. Strong oral and written communication skills - including online/virtual environments; communication and facilitation skills to function effectively in clinical, corporate and academic team settings.
5. Commitment to advancing the missions and visions of St. Mark's College and Providence Health Care.

Please submit your Curriculum Vitae and Cover Letter to [hr@stmarkscollege.ca](mailto:hr@stmarkscollege.ca).

Applications are open until January 3, 2022.

Preferred Start Date: August/September 2022