

Toldo Chair in Christian Studies

Employer: Assumption University
Compensation Range: \$65,000-\$70,000 per year
Job Location: Windsor, Ontario, Canada
Application Deadline: November 16, 2026
Anticipated Start Date: September 1, 2027
Job Type: Onsite and Part-Time

Assumption University invites applications for the new **Toldo Chair in Christian Studies**. We welcome applicants trained in any or multiple academic disciplines (theology, history, gender studies, political science, literature, sociology, and more) where the study of Christianity was a central focus. The chair will also be accorded an appropriate professorial rank (assistant professor, associate professor, or professor) at Assumption University. The chair was established through a generous donation from the Toldo Foundation and its launch coincides with Assumption University's 170th anniversary in 2027.

The chair will have three areas of responsibility, namely teaching, research, and service.

Teaching

The chair will teach courses in the Catholic studies program and additional cognate courses. The chair may also offer a special topics course in their area of expertise or design a new course. The chair would also facilitate directed reading courses on specialized topics and may supervise or serve as the program reader on major paper committees. The chair will assist with providing academic mentoring to students and prospective students.

Research

The research component will be based on the chair's current scholarly interests within Christian studies. At the end of their term, the chair will present their work in a public forum. The goal would be to draft a refereed article or book chapter based on the research conducted during their tenure as chair.

Service

The chair will deliver public learning opportunities for diverse audiences in Windsor-Essex. For example, the chair might lead a workshop, organize a panel, host a lunch and learn, or be a guest speaker at one of the area high schools, colleges or universities. The chair will also serve on Assumption University's Ecumenical Committee and Christian Culture Series Committee. It is expected that the chair will contribute to Assumption University's long tradition of ecumenical and interfaith dialogue and initiatives.

Candidate Qualifications

- A completed doctorate in a relevant field where the scholarly study of Christianity had a central focus, such as in the dissertation, coursework, or comprehensive exams.
- A record of university-level teaching experience at various levels. An ability to teach courses in Catholic studies is required.
- An active research agenda evidenced by publications, conference presentations, participation in professional organizations, guest lectures, and other relevant scholarly activities.
- A service record demonstrated through volunteer work with various charitable organizations and not-for-profits, committees and boards, or within the university setting.



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Duration

The position is a one-year contract as of the start of employment date with the possibility of renewal pending a successful review.

Compensation

The chair's salary range will be \$65,000 to \$70,000 per year and be based on educational credentials, teaching experience, research publications, and service work.

Research, Professional, and Community Development Grant

In addition to the salary, the chair will receive a research, professional, and community development grant. This grant may offset the costs associated with computer equipment and software, community events, conference fees, travel costs, books and supplies, and more.

Application Instructions

Please submit the following to cbertrand@assumptionu.ca by **November 16, 2026 at 4:00 PM**:

1. Cover letter that outlines the candidate's interest in the position along with their academic qualifications, teaching experience, current research agenda, and service ideas planned for this position. The letter may be addressed to Dr. John Cappucci, Chair of Search Committee.
2. Complete and updated curriculum vitae which includes a list of three to five academic and professional references. The applicant's submission of references shall constitute their consent and permission to allow Assumption University to contact and/or follow up with the references as it may deem appropriate.
3. One sample publication.

Late applications may be reviewed at the discretion of the search committee.

About Us

Tracing its origins to 1857, Assumption University is one of the most historic Catholic institutes of higher learning in Canada. Since 1963, Assumption University has been federated with the University of Windsor. Situated on the traditional lands of the Three Fires Confederacy, comprising the Odawa, Ojibway, and Potawatomie Nations, Assumption University's mission is to empower individuals to cultivate goodness in themselves and others, embody discipline in their path towards excellence, and recognize the importance of constantly pursuing knowledge throughout their lives. Assumption University seeks to build bridges within our community and in doing so welcomes individuals from all religious and spiritual traditions, beliefs, and perspectives.

Assumption University values diversity and encourages applications from all qualified individuals; however, Canadians, permanent residents, and those eligible to work in Canada will be given priority. Assumption University thanks all individuals for their applications, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Meeting the position's educational requirements and competencies does not guarantee a candidate the position. AI will not be used to screen applicants for this position. This job advertisement is for an expected vacancy created by a new position.