POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Director of Lux Center for Catholic-Jewish Studies
DEPARTMENT: Intercultural Preparation for Ministry (IPM)
SUPERVISOR: Vice President of Intercultural Preparation for Ministry

LUX CENTER DESCRIPTION
Dedicated to furthering Catholic-Jewish relations, The Lux Center for Catholic-Jewish Studies provides educational programs that equip students at Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology with
- an understanding of the Jewish roots of their own Christian tradition,
- experiences that enable engagement in interreligious activities in their congregations after ordination,
- an appreciation for religious thought and practices of contemporary Judaism that transcends age old stereotypes and prejudices, and
- a commitment to strengthening the living relationship between Catholics and the Jewish people.

The Lux Center also offers activities that promote Catholic-Jewish understanding and dialogue among scholars and the general public.

Located in Franklin WI, a suburb of Milwaukee, Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology (SHSST) is a dynamic, engaged Catholic educational institution accredited by the HLC and ATS

POSITION SUMMARY
Reporting to the Vice President of Intercultural Preparation for Ministry, the Director of The Lux Center is a full-time employee of SHSST responsible for the direction and management of the Lux Center’s programming and operations and for the education of seminary students about Catholic-Jewish relations and interreligious studies.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE LUX CENTER
- Educational credentials –Ph.D., rabbinical or ministerial degree in Catholic Theology, Jewish Studies, or a related field.
- Extensive knowledge of Jewish Studies and Catholic Studies.
- Strong interest/experience in matters regarding Catholic-Jewish relations.
- Excellent teaching skills.
- Effective administrative skills.
- Ability to organize and follow up grant-writing and fundraising efforts.

POSITION SPECIFICS
- Represents the public face of the Center with the general public.
- Oversees and implements the design of the Center’s programming to meet the formational needs of seminarians, students, faculty and staff, as well as education for the public in the area of Catholic-Jewish relations and, more generally, interreligious dialogue.
- Serves as a resource for faculty in the areas of Catholic-Jewish relations and, more broadly, interreligious understanding.
- Teaches or co-teaches relevant courses at SHSST.
- Creates and implements the Center’s strategic plan.
- Maintains appropriate and sufficient communication with SHSST administrative leadership, Lux Center Boards and committees, related national and local organizations, and members of the public.
- Submits required reports and attends assigned meetings and events.

Compensation negotiable ($60,000-$80,000) depending on academic credentials and the candidate’s depth of experience in Jewish-Christian relations, administration, and teaching.