**Appointment Status:  Non-Tenure Track**

**Research Faculty Associate**

**Hartford Seminary, Hartford Institute for Religion Research**

The Hartford Institute for Religion Research and Hartford Seminary invites applications for a five year Research Faculty Associate position at Hartford Seminary. The start date is September 1, 2020 (or as soon as possible) with a project end date of June 30, 2025. We seek applications from scholars whose research addresses issues at the intersection of religion and congregational research.  Applicants should be scholars of the social scientific study of religion or religious studies, and experience with religious congregations as organizations is essential.

This faculty person will be expected to assist in planning research, survey design, manage and analyze large dataset, conduct fieldwork, to be proficient in both office and research software (ideally both quantitative and qualitative) but have primary strength in quantitative research and statistical analysis. This person should be familiar with ethnographic methods, stay abreast of current literature, and function well as part of a working research team with several research staff and multiple teams of research scholars and graduate assistants. This faculty person will also be encouraged to pursue their own research interests within the bounds of the project and beyond and to create their own written products for publication or presentation at professional conferences, and for the public and religious communities from this research project.  The faculty member will be expected to teach one course per academic year at Hartford Seminary, engage with the public and religious communities and to participate in all activities of the school as a full member of the faculty.

Applications received by August 24, 2020 will be given full consideration; however, the search will remain open until suitable candidates are found.

Basic Qualifications: Must have a Ph.D. in a social science field or humanities and have a strong interest in congregations and religious organizations. Experience in quantitative and statistical analysis methods is required. Must be able to work with diverse constituencies, be able to assist in conducting research on-site at various congregations, demonstrate technical proficiency, and be able to communicate well both orally and in writing. The successful candidates must demonstrate the ability to work both independently and with teams of researchers in a time-sensitive project.

Questions concerning the position should be addressed to Dr. Scott Thumma

Salary $75,000. Plus faculty retirement, medical benefits and moving stipend are included.

A complete application includes a cover letter outlining relevant education and training experience, an abbreviated CV, and names and contact information for three references.   Please send to Dr. Scott Thumma ([sthumma@hartsem.edu](mailto:sthumma@hartsem.edu) ).  Applications received by 8/24/2020 will receive full consideration.