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In a letter, applicants should address their qualifications for the position. They should include in the application a statement of how faith informs their teaching and administration; a discussion of their spiritual journey; a curriculum vita; transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work; and names, addresses and phone numbers of five references. Review of applicants will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Nominations of and applications from qualified women and minorities are especially encouraged.

ACU is affiliated with the fellowship of the Churches of Christ. All applicants must be professing Christians and be active, faithful members of a congregation of the Churches of Christ and deeply committed to service in Christian higher education. The mission of ACU is to educate students for Christian service and leadership throughout the world.

ACU does not unlawfully discriminate in employment opportunities.

### **Dean, College of Arts and Sciences**

The College of Arts and Sciences is the largest academic unit in the university and central to its mission, offering undergraduate and graduate majors through four divisions (Behavioral and Social Sciences, Languages and Communication, Visual and Performing Arts, Sciences and Mathematics) comprising 18 departments. The college plays a primary role in the strong liberal arts education provided for all undergraduate students at ACU.

The dean is the chief academic, fiscal and administrative officer of the college and reports to the provost. Responsibilities include recruitment and evaluation of staff and faculty; curricular planning and development; professional development; strategic planning; budget management; encouragement and support for excellence in teaching, research, service and grant-writing; and oversight of the national accreditation for programs.

The successful applicant will have a commitment to the mission, values and goals of the university; an appreciation and understanding of the nature and role of Christian higher education and the relationship among learning, scholarship and faith; and a 21<sup>st</sup> century vision for the role of the arts and sciences in a comprehensive university and in the preparation of students for service and leadership in the world. She or he will have an earned doctorate and a record of excellence in teaching and research as a tenured associate or full professor; serve as an exemplary teacher, mentor and advisor of university students; have experience in academic administration including evidence of exceptional leadership in progressively responsible positions; demonstrate ability to work collaboratively with faculty, staff and administrators within a department, college and university; have knowledge of and experience with how the disciplines of the college are connected with the communities they serve; have willingness and ability to work effectively with university development in fund-raising.

### **Dean, Honors College**

The Honors College is a newly established college at ACU, the successor to the university's strong and successful Honors Program.

The dean of the Honors College has a joint appointment, half in Honors Studies and half (tenure-track) in an academic department. An earned doctorate and evidence of scholarship, service and superior teaching are required. ABDs will not be considered. Experience in honors teaching or academic administration is preferred. Experience with cross-disciplinary courses, team-teaching or mobile learning is desirable. An applicant must show professional accomplishment within an academic discipline (to earn tenure within the department) but have the versatility to collaborate on interdisciplinary courses within the Honors College.