

Pacific Theological College (Suva, Fiji Islands)

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Temporary Faculty Vacancy: Department of Biblical Studies

The *Pacific Theological College* (Suva, Fiji Islands) seeks to recruit a **temporary lecturer in Old Testament Studies** as well as a **temporary lecturer in New Testament Studies** to teach courses at Masters level **either** for the full semester-half '2B' in our current academic year (7 September to 30 October 2014) **or**, in an intensive mode, for two to four weeks at any point during that semester-half (job level: open).

PTC is a regional, ecumenical theological college offering theological education primarily for Pacific Islanders, covering the full spectrum of academic programmes from pre-degree Certificates to the PhD degree, including distance education at pre-degree and degree level. The medium of instruction is English, though most staff and students use it as a second or third language. For more information on the College, see our website (www.ptc.ac.fj).

- If you are interested, please contact the Academic Dean of the College by 5 June 2015), who will discuss the post and various options with you: Prof. Holger Szesnat (hszesnat@ptc.ac.fj).
- Please note that **formal applications must include**:
 - a full academic CV;
 - copies of academic degree awards and transcripts;
 - a letter of application explaining the applicant's motivation / interest in working at PTC.
 - In the case of *ordained members of Pacific Island churches*, there should also be a letter from an authorised member of the leadership of that church (e.g., general secretary) in support of the application.
 - Due to immigration regulations, all *applicants who are not citizens of Fiji* must also include
 - two passport-type photographs;
 - a new medical certificate concerning general health (less than two months old), using the format used in current work permit application form for Fiji;
 - a new police clearance certificate (less than two months old) from any country that the applicant has lived in for 12 months or more during the past 10 years.

Essential Requirements: Old Testament

- Ph.D. or equivalent in Old Testament / Hebrew Bible.
- Willingness and ability to teach (a) one full Master level course in 'Hebrew Writings' (i.e., *kethuvim*), and (b) one additional Masters level course (50%, shared) in Apocalyptic Literature.
- Some teaching experience at tertiary level (full-time or part-time).
- Sensitivity and openness to the cultural contexts of the Pacific Islands.
- Openness to ecumenism and contextual approaches.

- Willingness and ability to tailor teaching and learning to the needs and contexts of Pacific Island cultures and societies.
- Willingness to participate fully in community life, including worship.

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- Ph.D. or equivalent in New Testament.
- Willingness and ability to teach (a) one full Master level course in 'Canonical Gospels', and (b) one additional Masters level course (50%, shared) in Apocalyptic Literature.
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What we offer

- *Pro-rata* payment of a gross salary, depending on job level offered: F\$37.200 (Visiting Lecturer), or 43.400 (Visiting Senior Lecturer), or 49.600 (Visiting Associate Professor), or 55.800 (Visiting Professor), and, **in addition**:
- Free, fully furnished housing on PTC's 'garden campus'.
- Return air passage for the temporary faculty member.
- Handling of Fiji immigration fees and processes for the faculty member.
- Access to personal office with computer, printer, and internet access.
- Access to a growing library collection (30.000+ books) for teaching and research, including the ATLAS full-text electronic journals collection.
- A vibrant, ecumenical, international, yet distinctly Pacific Island community context.
- A beautiful campus in walking distance from one of the most cosmopolitan city centres in the South Pacific.
- A collegial, supportive work atmosphere.