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# Application for Employment



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Chicago, Illinois 60625-4895  
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## An Equal Opportunity Employer

We are an equal opportunity employer, and we do not and will not discriminate on the basis of race, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status, or status as a disabled veteran or Vietnam-era veteran. Information provided on this application will not be used for any discriminatory purpose. However, as a religious educational institution owned and operated by the Evangelical Covenant Church, North Park is permitted and reserves the right to select employees on the basis of their religious faith [Title VII, Section 702-703, United States Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and the Illinois Human Rights Act Section 2-101(B)(2)].

## North Park's Mission and Vision

The mission of North Park University, as an intentionally Christian university of the Evangelical Covenant Church, is to prepare students for lives of significance and service through education in the liberal arts, professional studies, and theology. Our vision, building on our core institutional identity – Christian, urban, multicultural – is to fashion a university of uncommon character and enduring excellence where faith, learning, and service meet.

North Park University claims a rich and substantial history, one which over many years has shaped the institution we are today. We bring to our students a strong and lasting heritage of faith, a tradition of 115 years of education at the corner of Foster and Kedzie Avenues in the city of Chicago, and a practice of welcoming students from myriad cultures, social traditions, and faith experiences. Simply put, our space is Christian, urban, and multicultural. Yet this familiar history must be cast anew for today's learning environment, now as in the past shaped by and for the community and world our graduates will live in and to which they will be called.

## Core Values

The University's challenging academic programs and supportive learning environment are molded by three core institutional values. Our learning community is:

- Distinctively Christian – We nurture faith, balancing commitment and freedom, affirming the historic Christian faith of the Church worldwide shaped by the ethos of the Covenant Church, even while we welcome students from all faith traditions.
- Intentionally Urban – We engage Chicago as our dynamic place of learning and service; Chicago is our classroom and all Chicagoans are our teachers.
- Purposefully Multicultural – We embrace and value all people, celebrate the complex global cultural tapestry, and engage the reconciling mandate of the Christian gospel.

*Please read carefully, provide all information requested, and complete by printing in ink or typing. Your completed application form will be maintained in our active files for twelve (12) months from the date of application. You may submit a new application at any time.*





## Employment Record continued

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Street address	Phone Number	Brief description of duties
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## Covenant Affirmations...a brief form

Below is a summarized statement of faith for the Evangelical Covenant Church. Though we employ people from a variety of Christian traditions, this statement will help you to understand the theological focus of our sponsoring denomination which helps shape the character of the North Park University community.

The Evangelical Covenant Church has its roots in historical Christianity as it emerged in the Protestant Reformation, in the biblical instruction of the Lutheran Church of Sweden, and in the great spiritual awakenings of the 19th century.

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**-We are an apostolic church.** We confess Jesus Christ and the faith of the apostles as recorded in the Holy Scriptures. We believe the authority of the Bible is supreme in all matters of faith, doctrine, and conduct, and it is to be trusted. "Where is it written?" was and is the Covenant's touchstone of discussion with regard to faith and practice.

**-We are a catholic church.** We understand ourselves to be a part of the community of believers that began with Jesus' first followers, is alive today, and will continue until Christ comes again.

**-We are a Reformation church.** We stand in the mainstream of a church renewal movement of the 16<sup>th</sup> century called the Protestant Reformation. Especially important is the belief that we are saved by God's grace alone, through faith alone, not by anything that we can do.

**-We are an evangelical church.** A series of religious awakenings flowered in Europe and America during the 19<sup>th</sup> century and provided rich soil for the early growth of the Covenant Church with our passion for mission.

For Covenant people, our essential beliefs are summed up in what we call Covenant Affirmations:

**We affirm the centrality of the word of God.** We believe the bible is the only perfect rule for faith, doctrine, and conduct. The dynamic, transforming power of the word of God directs the church and the life of each Christian. This reliance on the Bible leads us to affirm both men and women as ordained ministers and at every level of leadership. It is the reason we pursue ethnic diversity in our church and is the inspiration for every act of compassion, mercy, and justice.

**We affirm the necessity of the new birth.** New birth in Christ means committing ourselves to him and

receiving forgiveness, acceptance, and eternal life. It means being alive in Christ, and this life has the qualities of love and righteousness, joy and peace.

**We affirm a commitment to the whole mission of the Church.** The early Covenanters were known as "Mission Friends"—people of shared faith who came together to carry out God's mission both far and near. Mission for them and for us includes evangelism, Christian formation, and ministries of compassion, mercy, and justice.

**We affirm the Church as a fellowship of believers.** Membership in the Covenant Church is by confession of personal faith in Jesus Christ and is open to all believers. The church is not an institution, organization, or building. It is grace-filled fellowship of believers who participate in the life and mission of Jesus Christ. It is a family of equals: as the New Testament teaches that within Christian community there is to be neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, but all are one in Christ Jesus (Galatians 3:28).

**We affirm a conscious dependence on the Holy Spirit.** The Covenant Church affirms the Trinitarian understanding of the God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We believe it is the Holy Spirit who instills in our hearts a desire to turn to Christ, and who assures us that Christ dwells within us.

**We affirm the reality of freedom in Christ.** The Apostle Paul wrote, "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free" (Galatians 5:1, TNIV). This freedom is a gift of God in Christ, and it manifests itself in a right relationship with God and others. It is not a private gift to be used selfishly, but is given to serve the community and the world.

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Affirmations like these are not to be taken as creedal statements. They are rather to be understood as true and valid descriptions of what Covenanters believe and cherish as they continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of God, awaiting that day when "the kingdom of this world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever" (Revelation 11:15).

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