The Jesuit Social Research Institute at Loyola University New Orleans seeks a new Executive Director (Director). The Jesuit Social Research Institute (JSRI) was founded in 2007 to transform the Gulf South through action research, analysis, education, and advocacy on the core issues of poverty, race, and migration through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching. As part of an organizational restructuring, JSRI will be accomplishing this mission by focusing on issues related to the criminal legal system, primarily in Louisiana. JSRI is a collaboration of Loyola University New Orleans and the United States Central and Southern (UCS) Province of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits).

The Executive Director (Director) of JSRI holds a full-time appointment with extraordinary faculty status and reports directly to Loyola University’s Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. In addition to financial management and fundraising, the Director is responsible for the overall management of JSRI’s primary activities, which will include: i) convening and participating in faculty workgroups on criminal legal system issues such as immigrant detention, prison and jail conditions, reentry, etc.; ii) supporting a new prison education program directed by a faculty member; iii) developing and supporting other projects on criminal legal system reform, such as our project currently underway in the Orleans Parish DA’s office; and iv) public education and advocacy related to criminal legal system reform.

The ideal candidate should have expertise in issues related to the criminal legal system, a terminal degree in one’s field, and a demonstrable record of excellence in leadership, education outreach, fundraising, and advocacy for marginalized populations. A full job description and required qualifications can be found at https://jsri.loyno.edu/sites/default/files/2021-11/JSRIExecutiveDirector2021.pdf

Loyola University New Orleans is a Jesuit university and an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We strongly encourage applications from persons of color. Salary and benefits are competitive. Applicants should send electronic copies of (i) a letter of interest in the position, (ii) a current curriculum vitae, (iii) three letters of recommendation (sent directly by the referees) to Fr. Chris Kellerman, SJ, Chair, JSRI Search Committee and Interim Executive Director (cjkeller@loyno.edu). Review of applications will begin January 3, 2022, and continue until the position is filled. Interested candidates are encouraged to contact Fr. Kellerman at cjkeller@loyno.edu or 504-864-7750 for more information about the reorganization process at JSRI and to visit https://jsri.loyno.edu/ to see our past work.