## Department of Theology Sponsorship Policy Approved May 2, 2024

Recognizing the Catholic university's unique responsibility "to promote *dialogue between faith and reason*" (*Ex Corde Ecclesiae*, no. 17) and acknowledging theology's essential contribution to this dialogue in the Catholic tradition (*Ex Corde Ecclesiae*, no. 19), the Department of Theology at Marquette University supports the planning, organization, and execution of a wide variety of academic events every year.

Affirming the ability of individual faculty members to make vital contributions to this dialogue through their particular areas of expertise, the Department of Theology will sponsor or co-sponsor (in name, although not necessarily with financial assistance) any academic event directly organized or principally co-organized by a faculty member in the Department of Theology.

Such departmental sponsorship/co-sponsorship reflects the commitment to free inquiry in the search for truth, through the dialogue between faith and reason to which all members of a Catholic university are called to contribute. The sponsorship/co-sponsorship is therefore not an endorsement and neither implies nor confers the department's support of any of the positions advocated by speakers or participants at the sponsored/co-sponsored event.