Boston College and the Center for Christian-Jewish Learning are pleased to announce the appointment of John R. “Jack” Miles to the 2018-2019 Corcoran Visiting Chair in Christian-Jewish Relations.


Over a period of nearly twenty years, 1975-1995, Dr. Miles was successively an editor at Doubleday, executive editor at the University of California Press, literary editor at the Los Angeles Times, and finally a member of the Times Editorial Board. For ten years, he served on the Committee of Selection of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. Dr. Miles has been at different times Mellon Visiting Professor of Humanities at Caltech, Director of the Humanities Center at the Claremont Graduate University, Scholar in Residence and Senior Advisor at the J. Paul Getty Trust, and Visiting Fellow with the Committee on the Conceptual Foundations of Science, University of Chicago.

Dr. Miles pursued religious studies at Pontifical Gregorian College, Rome, and the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, and holds a doctorate in Near Eastern languages from Harvard University (1971).