

Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation

Institute for Pastoral Initiatives, University of Dayton

List of Courses by Cycle

Below is a list of courses in the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) program available through the University of Dayton's Institute for Pastoral Initiatives. The course title is noted in the left column and the cycle that the course is offered is listed in the right column. Generally, 5-week courses translate into 10 hours of Catechist Formation credit, and 3-week seminars qualify for 5 hours of Catechist Formation credit.

2022 Calendar

- Cycle 1: January 16 - February 19
- Cycle 2: Mar 6 - Apr 9
- Cycle 3: April 24 - May 14 (3 and 5 week courses)
- Cycle 4: May 29 - July 2
- Cycle 5: July 17 - August 20
- Cycle 6: September 4 - October 8
- Cycle 7: October 23 - November 26

Course Title						
A Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry						
Administration in Ministry						7
Advanced Catholic Social Teaching	1					
Advent: A Holy Waiting						
Autism in Faith Formation					6	
Basic Catechist Formation Seminar 1.1: Catechesis is...	1	2	3	4	6	7
Basic Catechist Formation Seminar 1.2: Vocation of the Catechist			3			7
Basic Catechist Formation Seminar 1.3: The Person of the Catechist			3		6	7
Basic Catechist Formation Seminar 2.1: Methodology			3			7
Bereavement: A Christian Perspective						
Bible Basics	1	2		4	6	7
Bioethical Issues, Including Care for the Aging and Support for Families		2				
Catholic Beliefs	1	2	3		6	7
Catholic Identity and Culture			3			7
Catholic Teaching on Chastity, Family Life and Human Sexuality Education	1		3		6	
Christology	1					
Chronic Illness: Mental Illness, Grief, Trauma Support and Counseling						
Church History 1	1			4	6	
Church History 2		2				7
Church: Living System and Sacrament						

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Collaboration and Community						6	
Communication and Community					5		
Conscience		2					7
Creative Methodologies: ADHD in Parish Life - Pastoral Implications					5		
Designing a Parish Catechetical Plan			3				
Designing and Implementing Adult Learning and Faith Formation				4			
Directory for Catechesis 2020	1			4		6	
Directory for Catechesis 2020: A General Overview	1	2	3	4	5		7
Disabilities in Parish Life: An Overview		2			5		
Disability Across the Life Span: Prenatal Diagnosis – End of Life Care				4			
Discovering Integral Ecology in <i>Laudato Sí</i>		2					
Ecclesiology: A Theological, Historical and Pastoral Summary			3				
Ecclesiology: Beginnings of the Church	1			4			
Ecclesiology: The Pilgrim Church		2			5		
Ecclesiology: Reframing Church		2				6	
Echoes of Racism: Whispers of Healing	1		3			6	
Ecumenism and Parish Life							
Emotional Intelligence and its Impact on Faith Formation	1		3		5		
Evangelization and Discipleship							7
Facilitating Adult Learning and Faith Formation							7
Faith and Human Development	1	2		4	5		7
Faith Formation for Adults with Special Needs							7
Foundations and Vision for Adult Learning and Faith Formation				4			
Foundations for Liturgy	1			4		6	
Fundamentals in Deaf Faith Formation Methodologies				4			
Galatians		2			5		
Giving with God: Reflections on Wealth							
History of Catholic Social Action		2					
Images of Jesus	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Images of Mary			3		5		
Introduction to Catechesis	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Introduction to Christian Morality	1			4		6	
Introduction to Liturgy		2			5		
Introduction to Pastoral Care		2					
Introduction to Paul's Life and Letters	1			4			
Introduction to Practical Morality	1	2		4	5	6	7
Introduction to Prayer	1	2		4	5	6	

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Introduction to Scripture	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Introduction to Sacraments of Initiation		2				6	
Islam [6-week course]						6	
Leadership in Ministry					5		
Leadership Roles and Skills for Adult Learning and Faith Formation	1						
Let This Be the Time: Spiritual Essentials for Life's Second Act	1		3		5		7
Liturgical Books		2		4	5	6	
Many Faces of Adult Learners						6	
Marianist Studies: Community							
Marianist Studies: Mary, Holy Possibility						6	
Marianist Studies: Prayer		2					7
Mary in Scripture and Tradition		2					7
Mercy			3				7
Ministering in Times of Scandals and Divisions							
Ministry Leadership in the Church Today			3		5		
Moral Injury: When Our Pain Blocks God's Joy						6	
Music in Liturgy	1			4		6	
New Testament	1	2		4	5	6	7
Old Testament	1	2		4	5	6	7
On Bended Knee			3		5		
On the Call to Holiness: <i>Gaudete Et Exsultate</i>	1			4			7
Our Hearts Were Burning	1		3				7
Parish and Social Action						6	
Parish as Learning Community					5		
Pastoral Approach to Culture				4			
Pastoral Letter: 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?'							
Pastoral Letter: Blessed are the Merciful							
Pastoral Letter: Go Forth I am With You Always							
Pastoral Letter: My Grace is Sufficient							
Planning Youth Ministry Events		2					
Poverty in the U.S. and Around the World				4			
Prayer and Worship with Adolescents							7
Praying with Children							
Principles for Addressing Diversity Issues in Youth Ministry	1						
Prophets						6	
RCIA: A Process of Conversion, Catechesis and Community	1				5		
Relational Ministry with Youth						6	
Romero: Pastor, Prophet, Martyr and Saint			3				
Sacraments	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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Scripture and Justice					5		
Spirituality in Adult Learning and Faith Formation		2					
Spirituality of the Missionary Disciple			3			6	
Study of The Joy of the Gospel: <i>Evangelii Gaudium</i>	1						
Summary of Catholic Social Teaching			3				7
Survey of Catholic Doctrine	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Survey of Catholic Social Teaching				4			
The Mass				4		6	
The Parish Nurse as Counsellor and Spiritual Companion							
The Parish Nurse: Facilitating Wholistic Health Through the Lifespan		2					7
Theological Reflection: Key to Connecting Faith and Life			3		5		7
Understanding Culture in Ministry: Building Bridges		2			5		
Veteran and Military Family Outreach							7
Vocation to Ministry				4			
Vocation, Spirituality and Discipleship of Catechists	1				5		7