Certificate Requirements

Registration: You must register prior to attending a session(s) in order to receive credit toward the certificate. To register, please contact Jeff Ghering (see back panel for contact information). After registration you will receive a checklist of requirements, list of readings to complete prior to the session, and books for readings that are not available online.

Entrance Interview: After you have registered, the Executive Director of the Office of Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries will contact you to set up an entrance interview. This is an opportunity to reflect on what you hope to get out of training. It is also an opportunity to set goals for your ministry and learn more about the diocesan vision for youth ministry.

Sessions: There are twenty-one sessions required for the certificate, each of which are offered at least every two years. Other events offered by the Office of Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries may count toward a session(s) including: New DYM Orientation, Deeper Waters, In-service, and the Annual Meeting. Two full days of certificate training are held each year.

Attend Annual Meeting: Attendance at the Annual Meeting at least once is required.

Develop a Youth Ministry Resource: Toward the end of your training you will develop a youth ministry resource that could be published for use by other DYMs throughout the diocese.

Exit Interview: This is an opportunity to reflect on what you received from certificate training. You will be able to evaluate the progress made toward your goals and look at the best ways to continue growing as a DYM.

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There is no cost to attend the certificate training sessions. Expenses are covered through an endowment established by Bishop Loverde in the *Rooted in Faith*, *Forward in Hope* capital campaign. If you have questions about certificate training please contact Jeff Ghering by email at jeff.ghering@arlingtondiocese.org or by phone at 703-841-2559.

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2019-2020 CERTIFICATE IN YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAM

"The Director of Youth Ministry will work to become certified in Youth Ministry within the first three years of ministry, and will continue to attend training and formation throughout their entire career."

-Vision Statement, Office of Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries



THE PROGRAM

The Certificate in Youth Ministry Program is an in-depth initiative designed to provide formation for the Director of Youth Ministry (DYM), through presentations that are practical, academic, theological, and spiritual. Upon completion you will receive a Certificate in Youth Ministry that is given in the name of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington and Franciscan University of Steubenville.

The Diocese of Arlington has been working with Franciscan University of Steubenville to offer certificate training since 2008. Believing that the most significant factor in the catechetical endeavor is the individual catechist passing on a lived faith, Franciscan University has committed itself to assisting in the preparation of men and women equal to the task of catechesis in a youth ministry context.

The requirements to finish this program include attending twenty-one sessions, participating in the Annual Meeting, developing a catechetical resource, and completing both an entrance and exit interview with the Executive Director of the Office of Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries. It can be completed in two years. Even if you are not able to attend every session in a given year, you may work toward the certificate over several years.

A complete description of the workshops and requirements for completion can be found at: www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth

2019-2020 Sessions

August 22, 2019 Summit

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Vienna Mrs. Katie Prejean McGrady

• Fostering Service, Leadership, and Vocation

August 29, 2019 New DYM Orientation

Diocesan Chancery (Suite 718), Arlington Mr. Kevin Bohli

• A Vision of Effective Youth Ministry

September 11, 2019 Certificate Training

St. Leo the Great, Fairfax

Dr. Bob Rice

- The Story
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Engaging Youth Culture
- Methods and Skills for Youth Ministry

Spring, 2020 In-Service

Location & Presenter TBD

- Adolescent Development
- Pastoral Care with Teens

May 12-14, 2020 Annual Meeting

Loyola Retreat House, Faulkner, MD Ms. Bridget Wilson & Ms. Karla Aleman

- Intercultural Ministry with Youth
- Personal Spirituality and the Call to Holiness

2020-2021 Sessions These are the other session

These are the other sessions required to receive the certificate and will be offered next year:

- Forming Disciples for the New Evangelization
- The Liturgical Nature & Sacramental Life of the Church
- Christocentric Morality
- The Church's Vision of the Family
- Theology of the Body for Young People
- The Mission of the Church
- The Deposit of the Faith: Scripture and the CCC
- Effective Catechesis in Youth Ministry
- Partnering with Families
- The Church, the Body of Christ: Working with Bishops, Pastors, Staff, and Parents
- Incarnational Ministry

