Certificate Requirements

Registration: You must register prior to attending a session(s) in order to receive credit towards the certificate. To register, please contact April Hjelstrom (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 Director of the Office of Youth Ministry will contact you to set up an entrance interview. This is a 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 Ministry may count toward a session(s) including: New CYM Orientation, Deeper Waters Youth Ministry Seminars, In-service, and the Annual Meeting. There is also a full day of certificate training in October and March.

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

Develop a Youth Ministry Resource: Towards the end of your training you will develop a youth ministry resource that could be published for other CYMs 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 towards your goals and look at the best ways to continue growing as a CYM.

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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 April Hjelstrom by email at a.hjelstrom@arlingtondiocese.org or by phone at 703-841-2559.

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2016-2017 CERTIFICATE IN YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAM

"The Coordinator 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 Ministry



THE PROGRAM

The Certificate in Youth Ministry Program is an in-depth program designed to provide formation for the Coordinator of Youth Ministry (CYM), 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.

We have 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 Director of the Office of Youth Ministry. It can be completed in two years. Even if you are not able to attend every session in a given year, you can work towards the certificate over several years.

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

2016-2017 Sessions

September 1, 2016 (New CYM Orientation)

Chancery (Suite 718, Arlington, VA) Kevin Bohli

• A Vision of Effective Youth Ministry

October 13, 2016 (Oct. Certificate Training)

St. Luke, McLean Jim Beckman

- Christocentric Morality
- Theology of the Body for Young People
- Working with Pastors, Staff and Parents
- Effective Discipleship

November 3, 2016 (In-Service)

Good Shepherd, Alexandria Robert Feduccia

- Personal Spirituality
- The Sacramental Nature of the Church

2016-2017 Sessions

March 28, 2017 (March Certificate Training)

St. Agnes, Arlington, VA

Dr. James Pauley

- The Mission of the Church
- The New Evangelization
- Deposit of Faith: Scripture and the CCC
- Effective Catechesis

May 2-4, 2017 (Annual Meeting)

San Damiano, White Post, VA Bob Rice

- Incarnational Ministry
- Recruiting, Training, and Developing Teams

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

2017-2018 Sessions

- The Story
- Adolescent Development
- Pastoral Care
- Engaging Youth Culture
- Multicultural Youth Ministry
- Methods and Skills
- Fostering Service, Leadership, & Vocation

