

What certification is granted?

Certification in accordance with the California Catholic Conference of Bishop' guidelines is granted to participants upon satisfactory completion of the three phases of the formation program.

What are the requirements of admission into the program?

- ◆ An ability to study on the post secondary level
- ◆ An ability to communicate with adults
- ◆ Basic catechist certification or equivalent
- ◆ A record of parish or school involvement
- ◆ Catechetical teaching experience
- ◆ Sensitivity to the cultural diversity of peoples in the archdiocese.
- ◆ Current Virtus certification
- ◆ Submission of application
- ◆ Submission recommendations
- ◆ Personal Interview
- ◆ Five years of catechetical experience
- ◆ Evidence of ongoing enrichment in the area of theology, catechetics, and catholic identity education
- ◆ Recent catechetical experience

In addition, the following are required during the three year process.

- ◆ A basic adult specialization or its equivalent.
- ◆ Ministry Formation Center Observation.

How much does the program cost?

Phase I and II have a stablished curriculum compose of ten classes in each year. Leaners are to register to each class individually with a cost of \$45 per class. There is no charge for Phase III—practicum year. It is recommended that the fee should be paid by the parish or institution in which you are ministering.

How do I apply?

To start the process, please download the application and recommendation forms on the main page, follow the directions and submit them via email to fluna@la-archdiocese.org

After we received your application you will be invited to a personal online interview to explore the possibilities and requirements of your participation in the program.

For further information please contact Flor de Maria Luna
fluna@la-archdiocese.org
Telephone: (213) 637- 7654

The application period is open until July 15, 2020. All applications must be received before the closing date.

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**Office of Religious Education
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
2020**

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The Office of Religious Education offers the Advanced Formation for Catechetical Ministries to those leaders in parish and archdiocesan ministries that exercise the ministry of catechesis.

This program is designed to provide catechetical leaders with substantive formation in Catholic Theology and Catechetics to exercise a fruitful ministry.

Phase One —Year 1

The Theology Phase involves the study of scripture and the essentials of Catholic doctrine as a common basis for all those preparing for catechetical leadership.

Phase Two— Year II

The Catechetical Phase involves the study of catechesis and develops necessary skills.

Phase Three—Year III

This phase is called Practicum Phase because involves a supervised ministerial practicum.

What specific leadership ministries are benefit with the ACM program?

ACM prepares catechists to coordinate, design and conduct adult education programs, particularly in parishes. (RCIA, Faith Formation for Adults, Prayer Groups, Baptismal program, etc.)

ACM prepares catechetical coordinator / DRE/PCL to effectively administer their parish catechetical program in the areas of director/ coordinator of religious education, coordinator of confirmation and/or youth ministry.

ACM prepares experienced catechists to become master catechist to train new catechists on various levels from young children to adults. The master catechist is prepared to conduct basic formation courses, on behalf of the Archdiocesan Office of Religious Education.

The ACM program is open to Catholic school religion teacher/campus ministers, preparing them to teach religion and be equipped to guide students on an evangelizing catechesis.

Themes and Schedule of 2020-21 ACM Phase I—Theology Phase

Themes

Missionary Discipleship, Theological Reflection and Prayer, Principles of Catholic Theology and Revelation, Scripture, Christology, Ecclesiology and Pneumatology (Holy Spirit), Eschatology, Mariology, Liturgy and Sacramentology, Sacraments and RCIA, Christian Morality, Social Mission of the Church.

Place and Time

**Saturdays 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
San Fernando Pastoral Region
15101 San Fernando Mission
Boulevard, Mission Hills, CA 91345**

***Due to the current COVID-19 situation and the uncertainty of on-site meetings, we will offered the 2020 ACM formation in an online platform if needed.**

Schedule

Online Orientation is required prior first class.

**August 15, September 12, October 17, November 21, December 12, of 2020 and January 9, February 13, March 13, April 17, May 15, and June 6, 2021.
Required Retreat TBA**