



ADVANCED MINISTRY STUDIES

The Office of Religious Education in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles offers a certification in Advanced Ministry Studies to women and men that would like to prepare themselves with a formal formation with emphasis in catechetical, pastoral and ecclesial applications. Given them the opportunity to be form to exercise different roles at parish or archdiocesan level.

The program offers the certification in a hybrid format, giving opportunity to experience face-to-face and online teaching formats.

The certification program has the following five formation goals:

1. Theological Foundation
2. Evangelizing Catechesis
3. Pastoral Ministry and applications
4. Methodology
5. The Art of Accompaniment

Who can participate in this program? Students/participants who are preparing to serve in parishes, archdiocesan/diocese offices, education, lay or religious ministers (working in any ministry in the church) and/or for their own personal growth.

- Adult Faith Formation Coordinators and or team members (i.e., RCIA, Baptismal parish ministry, Prayer Groups, any Parish Ministry)
- Parish Catechetical Leaders (i.e., CRE/DRE, Director of Faith Formation)
- Confirmation / Youth Ministry Coordinators
- Catholic High School Teachers of Religion
- High School Campus Ministers
- Primary and secondary teachers in general
- Any person that want to have some formal education

PARTICIPANTS WHO COMPLETE THIS PROCESS WILL:

- Be commissioned /certified in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles with one of the following certifications:
 - ⇒ Advanced Ministry Studies
 - ⇒ Archdiocesan Master Catechist
- Be accompanied by a team of professors and facilitators



ADVANCE MINISTRY STUDIES PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The certification in Advanced Ministry Studies consists in three year process with one Saturday on site or online class, participation in our Moodle Learning Management System for forums and pastoral integration essays.

THEOLOGY YEAR

Discipleship—Missionary Discipleship and Evangelization, Theological Reflection and Spirituality, Principles of Catholic Theology and Revelation, Hebrew Scripture OT, Christian Scripture NT, Christology and Soteriology, Ecclesiology and Pneumatology, Eschatology, Mariology and the Saints, Moral Theology, Liturgy and Sacramentality, Sacrament Theology.

MINISTERIAL YEAR

Ministry—Discernment and Charisms, Evangelizing Catechesis and the Catechist, Social Mission of the Church / Christian Spirituality, Faith Development and Christian Praxis, Understanding the Adults we Accompany (Adult Ministry) The Pedagogy of the Faith, Methodology in Catechesis, RCIA and the Catechumenal Model for Faith Formation, Intercultural Competencies - Cultural Diversity in the Church, Media Literacy, Special Needs.

APPLICATION YEAR

The Art of Accompaniment, Public Speaking, Presentation Skills, Team Dynamics, Ministry and Technology, Collaboration and Communication, Project.

FACULTY

Our faculty is drawn from the excellent scholars in the Religious Studies, Scripture and Ministerial expertise from Saint John Seminary, LMU, Santa Clara University as well as experts on specific areas.

2021-2022 SCHEDULE

August 28, September 18, October 16, November 20, December 18, of 2021 and January 8, February 12, March 12, April 23, May 21, June 18, of 2022. Required Retreat TBA

FEES

There are 11 classes in each of the Theology and Ministerial Year with a fee of \$50.00 for each class.

APPLICATION

For more information or to apply visit our website [HERE](#)

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