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TO THE CREATIVE
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Center for
Spiritual
Development 

LMU|LA
Loyola Marymount
University

Certificate Program

The Center for Spiritual Development and Loyola Marymount University LA, offer a joint Certificate in the Art of Spiritual Direction. This certificate program leads toward continuing education credit hours [c.e.u.] of specialized or upper-level ministry studies. Successful completion of the three-year program results in the reception of the professional ministry credential called the Certificate in the Art of Spiritual Direction from LMU/LA and the Center for Spiritual Development.

Purpose of the Program

To provide a holistic program which integrates theology, Scripture, psychology, spirituality, skills development and supervision in the art of spiritual direction, for individuals who discern in themselves a call to the ministry of spiritual direction.

Program Philosophy is based on:

- The spirituality of St. Ignatius - that of 'finding God in all things'
- Discernment: understanding religious experience in terms of the total human experience, and recognizing the movements of the Spirit within
- An incarnational reality of God's desire to be in relationship with the human person and that person's faith response to the God present in daily life

Who May Apply:

Men and women of all cultures and faith traditions in whom there is a recognizable call to the ministry of spiritual direction and who seek formal preparation. These people are aware of the sense of others "seeking them out" for deeper conversations and advice about the spiritual life, and desire a formation course which will companion them in this preparation.

Pre-Requisites

- Be in on-going and continued spiritual direction for at least two years
- Be in a faith community
- Be committed to a life of prayer and discernment
- Minimum age: 35

Course Information

All classes are held at the Center for Spiritual Development on 10 Saturdays each year - September - June. Sessions feature content, guided reflection questions, small group conversations, reading and journaling. Years 2 and 3 of the Program include practicum sessions in mentoring groups. Adherence to the policies outlined in the Student Handbook is essential. Assessment is based on reading and related assignments to be submitted, practicum under the supervision of experienced directors, and individual supervision.

YEAR ONE

Module One

Biblical, Spiritual and Theological Foundations

Module Two

Historical Perspectives and Spirituality

Module Three

The Practice of Prayer: Foundational Studies

YEAR TWO

Module One

Discernment:

Responding to the Spirit in our Lives

Module Two

Psychology and Spirituality:

Making Connections for Ministry

Module Three

The *Art* of Spiritual Direction:

Foundational Aspects

YEAR THREE

Module One

Holistic Spirituality

Module Two

Biblical Spirituality and Spiritual Direction

Module Three

Spiritual Direction and the call to Social Justice

Module Four

Final Integration:

Tending to the Essential and

the Journey to Intimacy

Please Note: All Class Topics Subject to Seasonal Changes

Faculty Includes

Jane DeLisle CSJ	Wilkie Au, Ph. D.
Jeanne Fallon CSJ	Don Bisson FMS
Sharon Halsey-Hoover, MA	Joyce Cottage, MA
Christine Hilliard CSJ	John Endres SJ
MaryAnne Huepper CSJ	Felix Just SJ
Jo Ann Tabor CSJ	Lynne Nettifee, MA
David Hoover, MTS	Janet Ruffing RSM
Dan Miller, M Div, Th.M	Mary Ann Scofield RSM
Margaret Scharf OP	Kathleen Schinhofen, M Div

Program Fee: \$1,000 per year
(scholarships available)

Admission Application

Must Include:

- An Autobiography (approximately 2 pages typed)
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
 - 1 from your Spiritual Director
 - 1 from Supervisor, Major Superior, Pastor, Rabbi
(someone who can comment on your spiritual journey and desire to be a spiritual director)
- Enclosed \$100 non-refundable Application Fee

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt. _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ (daytime)

_____ (evening)

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Male Female

Following admission application, an interview will be arranged. Admission will be confirmed by letter of acceptance following the interview.

Application Due Date:

July 31

Enrollment is limited. Please apply early.

Please mail your Admission Application
to Margaret Scharf OP at:

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