Social Ministry Certificate Program

Sponsored by the Office Parish Social Ministry, and The Office of the Diaconate

For Deacons, Clergy, Lay Ministers, Volunteers, and Agency Co-Workers

Faculty:
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August 30 through December 13, 2012
Nold, Room 119, at St. Mary Seminary (9845 Memorial Drive, Houston)

Class Time: 7:00 p.m. till 9:45 p.m.

Session 1: (3 hours) Thurs., August 30 – Introduction to Parish Social Ministry
Session will introduce parish social ministry models and skill training necessary to apply practical Principal of Parish Social Ministry and Principles of Catholic Social Teachings, biblical roots and pastoral circle.

(12 hours) Parish Social Ministry Practicum Experience Assignment
Supervised by a staffed Parish Social Minister or an approved direct social service agency. This observation will help integrate data and skill training presented in sessions of PSMCP. The requirements are flexible to meet specific need of participant.

Session 2: (6 hours) Thurs., September 6 & 13 – Theology of Parish Social Ministry
Session will introduce students to the history and moral theology of Parish Social Ministry in the Roman Catholic tradition; introduce/review the practice of theological reflection and its role in the participant’s faith and ministry of social service; and demonstrate the interrelationship of practical theology, moral theology and social sciences underpinning the Parish Social Ministry.

Session 3: (6 hours) Thurs., September 20 & 27 – Family Perspectives
A Family Perspective in Church and Society
Developing services and advocacy programs at the parish level for ministering to those in need, it will consider culturally and ethnically many of the forms and issues facing familial systems, with an overview of the knowledge and skills necessary in ministering to families.
Session 4:  (6 hours) Thurs, October 4 & 11 – Counseling and Case Management  
This session is geared toward the development of fundamental counseling and case management skills essential for professional parish social ministry services and ministry development. Participants will acquire an understanding of the Catholic Social teachings and how they are used to build the foundational skills necessary to integrate knowledge into practical application.

Session 5  (6 hours) Thurs., October 18 & 25 – Administering and OrganizingPastoral Programs  
Session will introduce the participant to skills necessary in parish program planning; implementation (action plans), evaluation, communication (media, newsletters, written correspondence, speaking), needs assessment, management, recruiting, training and supporting volunteers, networking and organizational development.

Session 6  (6 hours) Thurs., November 1 & 8 – Multicultural Ministry  
Session will offer the participant an opportunity to recognize and assess differences in cultures so that he/she might more effectively serve the family in direct service and advocacy.

Session 7  (6 hours) Thurs., Nov 15 & 29 – Parish Based Community Organizing – Social Justice and Advocacy  
This session will introduce the participant to skill training necessary in value-based community organizing, power analysis, leadership and development training, issue identification, social justice and advocacy.

Session 8  (6 hours) Thurs., December 6 & 13 – PSM Practicum Experience Review  

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Semester: Fall 2012

Please check Continuing Education Area & Course you are registering for:

☐ Continuing Education Audit
☐ Certificate in Parish Social Ministry

The cost for the PSMCP is $100 for Continuing Education Audit, $150.00 for Certificate.

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