

Welcome to

**Youth Ministry Certification
Program
(YMCP)**



Vision



- Our vision is to provide churches with mature, educated and Biblical servants who can –through God’s grace and thorough training- offer a far better ministry to adolescents.

What is the purpose of YMCP?

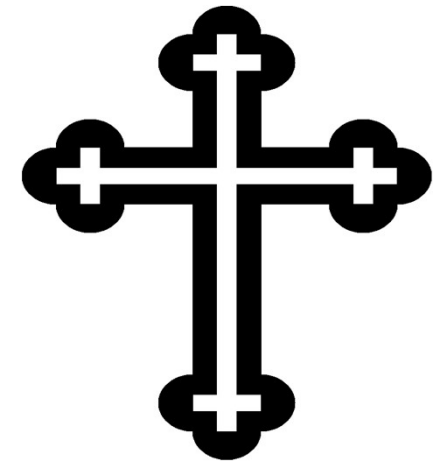
The Youth Ministry Certification Program (YMCP) provides servants with a distinct opportunity to acquire in-depth learning and training in adolescents' ministries by providing the **foundational knowledge** and the **practical experience** needed –through case studies and in-service modules- to better serve youth (ages ~10 to 24)



Content of the Program:

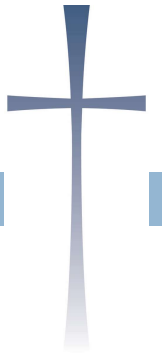
The YMCP will offer a variety of courses that will include:

1. Mission To Youth Culture
2. Christian Leadership & Management
3. Youth Ministry Design and Programming
4. Counselling Adolescents
5. Apologetics For Adolescents' Ministry
6. Crisis Management for Adolescents
7. Purpose-Driven Youth Ministry



These courses will develop competencies for a better informed youth ministry and will examine effective ministry-related strategies.

Process of Execution



1. Announcements and Advertisements (Posters and flyers)
2. Website
3. Online application
4. Pre-Admission Test for general Biblical and Theological knowledge, in addition to personality test questionnaire
5. Personal Interviews (if needed)
6. Approval of Father of Confession
7. Current Youth servants asked to complete program or complete Day-Seminars on selected key topics



Process of Execution

Duration: From Sun. Oct. 6, 2019 till June 30, 2020

Time: Sunday 4-7PM

Venue: Youth Lounge

Fees: \$350

Deadline: Sunday Sep. 29, 2019

Acceptance: max. 40 applicants

Certification: Diocese in collaboration with YouthTrain College (New Zealand) to issue certification after completion of requirements



COURSES



I- Mission Within Youth Culture

Purpose:

To appreciate the cultural uniqueness of youth and its relationship to Christian culture and to identify strategies for appropriate and effective mission to young people.



Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this course students will be able to:

- i. Apply the elements that constitute culture to develop a definition of a given culture.
- ii. Analyse the effects of postmodernism within youth culture.
- iii. Develop an appropriate and effective strategy for mission to a defined group of adolescents within Ontario.
- iv. Demonstrate proficiency in communicating to adolescents within the context of their culture.

II- Introduction to Youth Leadership

Purpose:

To introduce basic concepts of Christian leadership and management

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Identify the qualities and skills needed for Christian leadership.
2. Reflect on the responsibilities of Christian leadership.
3. Reflect on and implement personal and people management strategies.
4. Reflect on and implement planning strategies.



III- Youth Ministry Design and Programming

Purpose:

To develop a strategy for appropriate youth ministry design and to examine effective programming strategies

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this course students will be able to:

- i. Develop a Biblical philosophy of youth ministry.
- ii. Assess a current youth ministry and develop an appropriate design.
- iii. Assess a current ministry and develop a balanced and effective youth ministry programme.
- iv. Demonstrate proficiency in major aspects of programming.

IV- Pastoral Care of Adolescents

Purpose:

To create an understanding of the developmental and behavioural dynamics of adolescence and to develop effective pastoral care practice.

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this course students will be able to:

- i. Identify significant developmental changes that take place in adolescence.
- ii. Analyse the behavioural characteristics of adolescents with reference to external and internal issues.
- iii. Design a pastoral care strategy for youth ministry that meets a range of needs.
- iv. Demonstrate proficiency in providing individual pastoral care.



V- Apologetics For Adolescents' Ministry



Purpose:

To orient servants with the main issues that challenge the faith of adolescents. To equip the students so that they are “always ready to give a defense to everyone who asks them a reason for the hope that is in them, with meekness and fear”.

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Understand the need to defend the Christian faith in today's age.
2. Learn about the current challenges that face the Christian believer.
3. Know how you ought to answer each one.
4. Reason with others on matters pertaining to the Christian faith.

VI- Crisis Management

Purpose:

To provide students with further methods and ways to pastorally care for adolescents particularly in situations of a crisis. A short term model of intervention will be taught through cases studies.

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Learn & Practice a short-term model of intervention in crisis situations
2. Gain competence and skills in suicide intervention & Addictions
3. Identify the nature of commonly encountered crisis situations as well as develop the necessary interventions to be effective in ministering to people in such situations
4. Understand and form a list of community resources available for referral

VII- Purpose-Driven Youth Ministry

Purpose:

To provide a practical and step-by-step blueprint to build a purpose-driven adolescents' ministry based on 5 Biblical purposes.

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this course (Book Study) students will be able to:

1. Follow through a plan to build a healthy youth ministry that isn't dependent on one great youth worker and won't be destroyed when that person leaves.
2. Understand how to tailor programming based on different adolescents' needs and status in their journey to become Christ's disciples.
3. Identify, understand and follow 9 essential foundations for healthy ministry growth.

In-Program Assessment Tools

Assessments

- DISC Personality Profile
- Discovering Your Gifts & Talents

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