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CONNECTING YOUR DEEP PASSIONS TO A VISION FOR YOURSELF AND THE WORLD

<i>Discern</i>	<i>Grow</i>	<i>Strengthen</i>	<i>Incorporate</i>	<i>Use</i>	<i>Develop</i>
your own sense of calling, direction or purpose.	in selfknowledge and awareness.	your faith and core values.	religious faith into the texture of your life.	your talents and gifts to help others.	leadership skills and confidence in your ability to make a difference.

Explore the role service to the Church and the world can take in your life, in the Church, and in society.



REQUIREMENTS

Three elective undergraduate courses and a supervised practicum on campus.

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FIVE FOCAL POINTS OF STUDIES AND PRACTICES

faith seeking understanding

spirituality as lived experience

the nature of lay ministry

servant leadership

faith-based identity

investing in the future of lay leadership

TRAINING COLLEGE STUDENTS
 COURSEWORK and FIELDWORK
 RETREATS and WORKSHOPS

COURSE 1 IDENTITY, FAITH, AND CALLING

Who am I and why am I here? What are my core values and commitments? What am I going to do with my life? This course is an **invitation to reflect** in a systematic way on the “big questions” about finding meaning and purpose in life in conversation with some of the best writings in the Western traditions from ancient Greek poetry to Christian wisdom to contemporary fiction and memoirs. Through **dialogue and conversation**, you will have an opportunity to reflect on life as a journey and “work” as a calling, not just a way to make a living. Requires a willingness to **share personal experiences**, not just analysis, and to reflect and share experiences of faith—or its absence and doubt.

COURSE 2 LEADERSHIP FOR MINISTRY

This course is **about leadership** and how one functions as a leader within the context of ministry both in theory and practice. It will explore the notion of ministry from the viewpoint of college students who train and work with other lay ministers. It will be geared toward students who either are presently working in ministerial

settings on campus or those who desire to do so in the future. Placing the call to ministry within the **context of your baptismal call** will be an essential element of our initial discussion. We will **explore the scriptural foundations for ministry** and discipleship, connecting them to the various contemporary documents of the Church that invite and encourage lay ministerial leadership. In particular, we will study the relationship between leadership and **aspects of Catholic Social Thought**, for example, justice, conflict,



love. **You will have an active role** in preparing and implementing some form of ministerial training that will require you to communicate the ideals of ministry, the scriptural foundations of ministry, the scriptural foundations of ministry, and the importance of lay ministry within the Church today. There will also be discussion of **leadership styles** and the spirituality of ministry, emphasizing its importance for the personal spiritual

journey of a successful servant leader. You will acquire **skills in problem solving**, in building relationships and in communicating the importance of lay ministry, and you will be able to **act in a competent leadership role** in an actual, supervised training environment.

COURSE 3 THEOLOGY OF MINISTRY

The historical, theological, and biblical foundations of Christian **ministry will be the focus** of this course. You will **explore the meaning of “call” or “vocation”** as you develop your emerging theology of ministry through theological reflection. Emphasis will be placed on the documents “Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord” and “Called and Gifted for the Third Millennium” as platforms for **theological exploration of ministry** in the Catholic context. A **practicum component** will enhance the academic study of ministry.

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