

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION INTERNSHIP PROGRAM 2023-2024



Institute for
Spiritual Direction

Fall 2022 Semester:
Thursday evenings,
Sept 14 - Dec 7, 2023

Winter 2024 Semester:
Thursday Evenings,
Jan 11 - March 28, 2024

Are you a person who often finds yourself listening to the concerns of others who choose to confide in you? Are you a person interested in spirituality, prayer, and learning more about God's ways in your life and in the lives of others? If your answer is yes, it may be that God is calling you to explore the ministry of being a spiritual director and to prepare yourself to accompany others on their spiritual journey.

The Institute for Spiritual Direction located in DeWitt Michigan is taking applications for an 18 month internship in Spiritual Direction beginning in September, 2024. The program is open to interested women and men, clergy, deacons, religious and laity. Individuals with full-time commitments may participate.

For further information contact:

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Your participation or personal encouragement of another will be appreciated.

REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

To Be Completed for Graduation from Program:

- Complete the following Theological Coursework (or equivalent):
 - 1) Fundamental Theology
 - 2) Old Testament
 - 3) New Testament

****Note: these three classes are offered by the Institute for students needing to meet this requirement****
- Recommendation from pastor or church leadership

Internship Curriculum Covers Three Courses:

- Christian Spiritual Tradition
- Pastoral Counseling & Spiritual Direction
- Systematic Spiritual Theology

Additional Internship Requirements:

- 1 year of volunteer pastoral ministry
- Attend a Parish Weekend or Mission
- Attend Ignatian Retreat
- Internship on ISD Planning Team

This is a part-time, non-resident program. The practicum portion of the program is offered both on-site and at the candidate's parish. This program will be covered over an 18 month period, as three on-site/ZOOM blended classes. Each course meets once a week for each 12-week semester.

You must complete 100 practicum hours; which will be divided into fifty 2 hour sessions. You will meet with directees and will journal the experience, which will be reviewed within your small group and the class.

If you will be travelling for class, overnight rooms are usually available and can be arranged ahead of time.

All classes will meet:

ISD House
202 North Market Street
Dewitt Michigan 48820
517-668-5077

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