

EMMAUS FORMATION *for* MINISTRY PROGRAM

Formation at Catholic Theological Union is required of all students in their first graduate level degree in theology. Participation in the Emmaus Formation for Ministry Program is a requirement for all full-time, part-time, and distance students enrolled in the Master of Divinity, Master of Arts, Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies, or one of the Master of Arts in Specialized Ministry programs. Emmaus participation is documented in both the Emmaus Office and the Registrar's Office.

The Emmaus Formation for Ministry Program begins during the student's first year at CTU with a mandatory one-time **Formation Introductory Workshop**.

Fundamental themes and topics of Christian Spirituality and formation are incorporated into the Theological Reflection Groups and Retreats in a continuing three-year cycle.

Mandatory Formation Introductory Workshop	First Semester Enrolled F3000
Relationship with Others and Creation	In rotation
Relationship with Self	In rotation
Relationship with God	In rotation

FORMATION COMPONENT REQUIREMENTS

Covenant Meetings F4992

Register for each meeting

Both Full and Part-Time Students – Catholic Theological Union requires that each student in the Emmaus Formation for Ministry Program participate in two meetings each year (fall/spring) with an Emmaus Formation Director to create and review the student's formation needs and goals for the year.

- **On-campus students** – One covenant meeting each semester, fall and spring.
- **Distance students** – After completion of the Formation Introductory Workshop online by phone.

Retreats F4998

Register by section number

- **Full-Time Students** – Attend **two** retreats per year. One must be at CTU. One alternative retreat is permitted per year (submit the reflection form provided for this).
- **Part-Time Students** – Attend **one** retreat per year at CTU. **Retreats are available online for Distance Students.**

Theological Reflection F4999

Register by section number

- **Full-Time Students** – Participate in **one** theological reflection each semester. Two per year.
- **Part-Time Students** – Participate in **one** theological reflection each year.

Spiritual Direction*

Yearly Documentation Required

Both Full-Time and Part-Time Students – Meet on a regular basis with a qualified Spiritual Director.

*Informational brochures about spiritual direction, lists of centers, qualified faculty, staff, and individuals available for spiritual direction are available in the Room 360, and the homepage of D2L.

Emmaus Requirements for Distance Learners

The Emmaus Program requirements for distance learners are the same as those for on-campus students with the following modifications. The Formation Introductory Workshop will be offered online through D2L in the Fall Term. Theological Reflection participation will be offered online through D2L in the Spring Term, and during the Summer Term on campus. The retreat requirement is the student's responsibility to schedule and when completed submit the Emmaus Alternate Retreat Form. Retreats and Theological Reflection groups are offered online through D2L and during the Summer Term on campus.

Requirements for Students Participating in Additional Formation Programs

The Emmaus Program begins during the student's first year at CTU with the mandatory **Formation Introductory Workshop**. Students in additional formation programs will meet with an Emmaus formation director two times per year, fall and spring, and participate in *one* Theological Reflection group during each academic year at CTU. Retreat requirements can be met by attending an alternative retreat *in the additional formation program* and submitting the completed Alternative Retreat Form to the Emmaus Office. Students are always welcome to participate in additional scheduled Emmaus retreats and theological reflection groups. Regular Emmaus formation components apply after the additional formation program is completed.

Ministry Practicum Exemption

Ministry practicum students participating in their theological reflection group are not required to participate in Emmaus theological reflection for those semesters. MDiv= 2 semesters, MA's in & MAPS= 1 semester.

If you are a Full-Time MA in or MAPS and *choose* to do a full year of Ministry Practicum Theological Reflection you will still participate in TR one of those semesters with Emmaus unless your ministry site requires your participation the whole academic year. You must register for Alternate TR for Field Ed to receive participation credit with the Emmaus program.

Comps/Thesis Exemption

Emmaus students completing Comps or Thesis are exempt from Emmaus participation for that one semester.

Emmaus Contact Information

The Emmaus site on D2L includes the schedule of Emmaus activities and all Emmaus forms and documents. Students are encouraged to visit or contact the Emmaus Office, room 363, call 773-371-5447, or email Maryellen Knuth, Emmaus Director at meknuth@ctu.edu.

Students who have fulfilled their yearly requirements are always welcome to participate in additional Emmaus retreats and theological reflection groups. There is no charge for formation events or groups.

ALL EMMAUS RETREATS AND THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION GROUPS ARE OPEN TO ALL CTU STUDENTS!

Sign up in the Registrar's Office or the CTU Website!