EAST ASIAN PASTORAL INSTITUTE

Forming pastoral leaders and missionaries for a renewed Church
**OUR VISION**

We are a multi-cultural Catholic community of disciples striving to witness to a new way of being Church in a region characterized by diverse cultures, religious traditions, widespread poverty, and complex social changes.

**OUR MISSION**

We commit ourselves, following the way of Jesus Christ, to serve the churches of Asia and the Pacific in their mission of giving witness to the Good News as leaven in the transformation of cultures and societies towards the values of God's reign, by providing programs and services for the integral formation and renewal of lay persons, religious, and ordained ministers.
Drawing from both the tradition of the Church (notably Vatican II) and the insights of present-day leadership and management theories and practices, the program fosters learning in an Asian cross-cultural environment, cultivating one’s relationship with the Good Shepherd, and acquiring knowledge and skills, with special attention to the following themes:

- Leadership: A Pastoral Approach
- Leadership in Context
- Leadership Ethics for Pastoral Care
- Leadership for Mission
- Management: A Pastoral Approach
- Management Skills for Pastoral Leaders

In particular, participants strive to attain two key outcomes:

- To be Church-Grounded: doing mission out of a communal stance in a “new way of being Church”;
- To be Critically Reflective and Creative: pursuing data-based and theologically grounded understanding of contexts, challenges, effective and creative responses.

Completion of the PLMM program can count towards earning the ecclesiastical degree Licentiate in Sacred Theology (STL) in Spirituality and Leadership or the civil degree Master of Pastoral Leadership and Management (MPLM), both of which degrees are administered by Loyola School of Theology (LST) in Ateneo de Manila University.

Program fee **US$ 5,250**

Program fee covers tuition, room and board.
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Through various program modules, activities, and structures, participants re-encounter their Master, within the wealth of the Vatican II tradition and of their own pastoral experience, and re-learn encountering him today in the Church, in the world, in other religions and cultures, and especially among the poor and those who suffer most.

In particular, participants strive to attain two key outcomes:

- **To be Christ-Centered**: undergoing conversion and proclaiming in a heartfelt, bold and vibrant way God’s good news out of encountering Jesus through Scripture, tradition, and experience;

- **To be Dialogically Life-Giving**: promoting transformative encounters with persons of different genders, cultures, religions, ideologies, with the suffering, the oppressed, and with the environment.

Program fee **US$ 3,500**

Program fee covers tuition, room and board.

PRD is a four-month residential program, set in the rich tradition of cross-cultural Asian experience at EAPI, that offers on-going formation and renewal designed to inspire pastoral leaders and missionaries with a deeper understanding and appreciation of what discipleship of Jesus means today and to equip them for the mission of the Church.
Here the participant rediscoversthe richness of one’s being, appreciates more profoundly the graciousness and beauty of God's creative love, and thus prepares to re-engage the mission of the Church with greater generosity and compassion.

In particular, participants strive to attain the following outcomes:

- **Psycho-Emotional Integration:** Through a relaxed schedule, carefully selected week-long modules, personal reflection, group sharing, and other activities, participants gain a deeper understanding of their own personal history, giftedness, and unique personality. They become more at peace with inner tensions, personal wounds and vulnerabilities, leading to greater human and apostolic development.

- **Spiritual Maturity:** The program offers continuous opportunities for attuning to one’s experience of God’s love through daily times for personal prayer, regular spiritual accompaniment, an Ignatian silent retreat, and modules on spirituality. Participants are guided on the path of discernment and contemplation towards attaining an enduring openness to finding God in all things.

- **Pastoral Renewal:** The program challenges each participant and the community as a whole to critically rediscover the mission of the Church in the light of the pastoral renewal affirmed and urged by Vatican II. Program modules invite a closer look at Jesus Christ and how he continues to be active in the Church and in the world, calling each of his disciples to join him in service.

Program fee **US$ 4,025**

Program fee covers tuition, room and board.
SHARE OUR WONDER

[At EAPI] I experienced a God who does not merely provide, but a Father who gives directions. This experience of inner transformation came during an eight-day Ignatian retreat. I initially had difficulty entering into God’s presence, but when I fixed my gaze on the cross, that’s when things began to happen...

As I return to my old environment...and having gone through a spiritual, physical and intellectual transformation in EAPI, I am filled with a sense of service. ~ Fr. Norbert Koima, SVD, from Papua New Guinea

I return feeling much better in terms of my emotional maturity. I have become more open to other cultures and mindful of the movements of the Spirit in other religions. Wherever or whatever mission is asked of me, I will be available and happy to serve the people for the Church. ~ Fr. Hyginus Mint Soe, from Myanmar

In EAPI, I felt rested. It was a very special place... I learned a lot about myself while there... During one trip, we visited a poor community in Payatas... [O]ne of the children gently pulled my hand and invited me to come inside her house. I was very touched and I started crying. I asked God, “What are you doing to me now?” ...I think it is beautiful to know that God is here with the poor. ~ Sr. Marianna Jinmeo Cho, FMM, from Korea

GIVE A GIFT TODAY

Be our mission partners in offering our residential programs to missionaries who cannot afford, who need financial assistance, by covering part of their program fees.

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