



The University of Dayton

Institute for Pastoral Initiatives

Applicant Requirements

Funding provided by the Catholic Education Foundation

Program

The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) recognizes the importance of e-learning for catechist and lay ecclesial minister and adult faith formation in order to support catechist professional development.

The CEF along with the Diocese of Joliet has partnered with the University of Dayton Institute for Pastoral Initiatives to provide additional learning opportunities for catechist and faith formation via distance learning. The CEF offers grants to those parish lay leaders pursuing these certificates.

Requirements

Applicants must have completed at least one full year of employment with the diocese, a parish, or a Catholic elementary or secondary school in a professional position. Volunteers with at least three years of demonstrated ministry abilities within the parish setting and a specialization in catechetical ministry may also be considered.

Preference will be given to full-time employees. Part-time employees and volunteers will be considered if funding is available. Those meeting these criteria are encouraged to apply.

Grant Reimbursement

Applicants will be reimbursed following completion of the certificate program. Grant funding is not guaranteed and is based on available budget.

Applicants must submit a certificate of completion from the University of Dayton, proof of payment, and completed grant reimbursement application, and letter of support from ministry supervisor OR or Pastor of the parish ministry.

Payment will be made directly to the applicant. Applicant will be responsible for any tax implications of the grant payment.