

At the **Center for Spirituality at Work** we know the value of spiritual direction. **In a time marked by constant change, discernment becomes increasingly important and spiritual companionship helps in the recognition of what is enduring.** For these reasons we commit ourselves to the formation of beginning and experienced spiritual directors.

We bring experience engaging others in the contemporary marketplace. We offer our understanding of work as a meaningful expression of the divine within each person. We provide a supportive community and network of relationships where individuals can explore the meaning of a spirituality of work. We encourage the development of a grounded practical spirituality that embraces work, family, and community.

As we have discovered the **mutual transformation that results from being in relationship with people in poverty**, we make ourselves available to others open to the same privilege. In faithfulness to God's particular concern for the poor and abandoned, we are committed to providing spiritual direction and retreat opportunities for those who would otherwise not have access to these ministries. **Not every spiritual director is called to accompany those who have been marginalized, but the tradition clearly reveals that the charism of spiritual direction is linked to a concern for the most abandoned.** We provide the opportunity for participants to explore this reality.

Goals and Assumptions

The *Formation Program for Spiritual Directors* is designed to meet the following needs of the spiritual director:

- To support the continued spiritual growth of each participant.
- To establish an integrated framework for spiritual direction that involves a dialogue between the physical and social sciences and religion.
- To explore the meaning of contemplative action in a global community.
- To discover a deeper relationship with persons in poverty or otherwise on the margins.
- To discern one's call to this ministry.
- To grow in the art of spiritual direction.



Content/Environment

Content is presented through an adult learning model respectful of the experience of all participants. The facilitators are experienced spiritual directors who receive spiritual direction themselves and who are committed to their own growth and development. Further information about content is available at www.cfsaw.org.



Format

The fifteen-month program consists of:

- **Opening Webinar: May 23, 2016**
- **Intensive 1: July 15 - 30, 2016**
- **Intensive 2: August 4 - 10, 2017**
- **Monthly Webinars**

Each intensive session includes ample time for study, prayer, and reflection in a small community environment.

Between intensives, participants:

1. Follow a reading plan processed in the context of a small study group of peers.
2. Are actively involved in a ministry of spiritual direction/retreat direction.
3. Receive monthly supervision in their local setting.
4. Are actively involved in service with people in poverty/on the margins.
5. Receive spiritual direction themselves.
6. Prepare for and participate in monthly webinars.

Location

Class sessions for the program are held at the Loretto Spirituality Retreat Center. Our office is located at 1385 S. Colorado Blvd, Suite 300, Denver, CO.

Cost

Application Fee: \$50.00, nonrefundable.

Tuition: \$1200.00 for the entire program. For financial need contact our office.

Books: books are an additional cost; a book loaner program is available.

Room and Board:

Intensive 1 (15 days)

\$1150.00 for those living in residence

\$250.00 for local commuters

Intensive 2 (6 days)

\$650.00 required residency for all

Application

Acceptance to the program implies a commitment from the participant to both intensives, the supervised internship, and the study program with webinars.

Application deadline is April 29, 2016

Application materials are available on our website at www.cfsaw.org. For complete information on all aspects of the Formation Program for Spiritual Directors contact:

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Founded in 1996 as a community-based, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, CFSAW's mission is to *unite diverse people for spiritual transformation and social justice.*