

2023-2025

The General Assembly of the Congregation of the Mission, held in Chicago in 2016, approved the initiative of a Masters in Vincentian Studies and gave SIEV responsibility for actualizing this initiative:

The Master's Program will provide the Congregation and the Vincentian Family a path that will enable them to study Vincentian history and spirituality, will provide them with tools for their better understanding of this material and will provide them with the means for competency in pastoral animation as well as formation and accompaniment on behalf of the poor. This Masters Program will be done on-line in order to facilitate the participation of individuals from diverse cultures and countries.

The Congregation of the Mission and the **University of Deusto** (Spain) have signed a collaborative agreement in order to develop this program:

First Session (Courses 2021-2022 and 2022-2023): in Spanish;

Second Session (Courses 2022-2023 and 2023-2024): in Spanish and English;

Third Session (Courses 2023-2024 and 2024-2025): in English, Spanish and French.

## **OBJECTIVES:**

The Master's Program offers:

- Systematic deepening of one's knowledge of the history and spirituality of the Vincentian charism, placing this knowledge in the context of history of the church and the history of Christian spirituality and understood from the perspective of contemporary theology.
- 2. Acquire tools and begin research on the Vincentian spiritual tradition, dialogue with various cultures and teamwork.

- 3. Engage in an updated and contextualized reading of the sources of Vincentian heritage in dialogue with theological disciplines.
- 4. Engage in pastoral ministry that encourages and accompanies others in service on behalf of the poor and in the missionary commitment of the Church.

### REQUIREMENTS

In order to participate in the Master's program, it is required

- An official university degree that enables one to participate in graduate studies.
- Knowledge of the language in which the material is taught (level B2). In 2023, the Course will be held simultaneously in English, French and Spanish. The participants can choose the language in which they like to do the study.
- Availability with regard to time (25 hours a week) in order to respond to the academic demands of the program.
- Be a member of the Congregation of the Mission or any of the groups of the Vincentian Family and demonstrate a bond/relationship with the Family.

### **ADMISSION PROCESS**

It is the responsibility of the Superior General and Council to propose to the University of Deusto a list of the 30 candidates who will be able to participate in the Master's Program in each of the three sessions. Interested persons must send the required documentation, by telematic means, to SIEV (Secretary of Vincentian Studies): siev@cmglobal.org

To participate in the Master's Program, the documentation must be sent to the SIEV before March 15, 2023. SIEV members are at your disposal to provide you with the necessary information and accompany you in preparing the documentation.

#### **DURATION**

Four semesters: It needs two years of dedication at an average of 25 hours per week: from September 2023 to July 2025.

## **MODALITY**

On-line study.

## **CREDITOS**

60 credits [The European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS)]

## **DEGREE**

Master in Vincentian Studies

Degree conferred by the University of Deusto.

# **FINANCIAL COST**

Each participant contributes an amount of 800 Euros. The Congregation of the Mission is in charge of running the program.

# **PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

The organization of the Master's studies program contemplates the attainment of 60 compulsory ECTS credits, distributed throughout 2 years, 4 semesters, 15 ECTS/semester credits). Students will be able to carry out an optional subject of 3 ECTS credits in each semester: these 4 subjects are marked with an asterisk (\*).

Module	Subject	Credits ECTS	Character	Year	Sem.
Module 1: General Introduction to Vincentian Studies	Sources, hermeneutics, resources	4	ОВ	1	1
	Practical work on Vincentian texts (*)	3	OP – EX	1	1
Module II – Life and work of Vincent de Paul and Louise de Marillac	Biographical aspects of St. Vincent and St. Louise	4	ОВ	1	2
	The work of St. Vincent and St. Louise	4	ОВ	2	1
	Origins of Vincentian establishments (*)	3	OP – EX	1	2
Module III – Vincentian Spirituality	Christology and spirituality	3	ОВ	1	1
	Spiritual experience of Vincent de Paul	5	ОВ	1	1
	Spiritual experience of Louise de Marillac	3	ОВ	1	1
	Historical development of Vincentian spirituality	3	ОВ	2	2
Module IV – Paths of holiness in the Vincentian Family	Theology of holiness	3	OB	1	2
	Vincentian holiness	4	OB	1	2
	The revelation of the Miraculous Medal	3	ОВ	2	1
	Study of a Vincentian model of holiness (*)	3	OP – EX	2	1
Module V – Vincentian History	Ecclesiology of communion	4	OB	2	1
	The Vincentian Family	4	OB	2	2
	Historical understanding of a Branch of the Vincentian Family (*)	3	OP – EX	2	2
Module VI – Vincentian charism: charity and mission in today's world	Charity: the Vincentian charism and the Social Doctrine of the Church	4	ОВ	1	2
	Mission: relevance of the Vincentian charism	4	ОВ	2	2
Module VII – Practicum	Practicum I: Pastoral Plan	4	ОВ	2	1
	Practicum II: Final Work of Program	4	ОВ	2	2

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