Announcing the

SUMMER INSTITUTE OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL THOUGHT

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Overview

Purpose. The aim of the Summer Institute of Catholic Social Thought is to provide graduate students and younger faculty with strategies and encouragement for living out their Catholic faith in the academy. We also invite other teachers, counselors, clerics, persons in cultural apostolates, who may benefit from this experience. Through an intensive one-week engagement with the Catholic intellectual tradition focusing on social questions, we seek to develop an intellectual framework for teaching, action and research in the respective fields of scholarship that asks questions and advances ideas formed from a faithful Catholic perspective.

Scope. The week begins with a thematic exposition of the principles of CST as presented in the Compendium of Catholic Social Doctrine, followed by a review of the major social encyclicals. We then consider the application of these principles and ideas to contemporary culture and the intellectual culture of the academy. Practitioners in specific social science disciplines or policy initiatives then relate their own thoughts, successes and failures in this regard, exemplifying the diverse ways in which the central principles of CST can inform intellectual and cultural endeavors. Participant roundtables and discussion explore the development of research agendas, institutional and career strategies, and teaching resources.

Daily worship at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, networking with D.C. policy agencies and think tanks, and rich fellowship with fellow participants, form some of the other valuable experiences available at the Summer Institute.

More information (including a brochure, tuition information and application form) is available at http://www.catholicsocialscientists.org/Content/Organization/summer_institute.asp

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