

## **Leadership Certificate Program: Mujer Valiente**

### Offering Lay leaders in Mission Dioceses Leadership Certification

**Program Summary:** This leadership certificate program at University of Dayton is intended for Latina lay leaders in the Church, participants of Mujer Valiente conference 2022, who have not started or completed their higher education that wish to further their personal and ministerial development. The one-year program is in Spanish.

Catholic Extension in conjunction with the University of Dayton is offering students from mission diocese the Mujer Valiente leadership certificate. Each student will complete 10.5 hours of education and grow as a leader and transformative agent of change in her parish and/or diocese. Those who complete this leadership certificate can potentially apply their credit hours toward a future B.A. or M.A degree program at an ATS-accredited school of theology, should they wish to continue their education.

The program will take one year to complete and will result in a Mujer Valiente leadership certificate. Students who are accepted through Catholic Extension's application process will then be given approval to move forward with the University of Dayton student application process.

**Duration:** 1 year. **Spring and Fall online classes (5 courses total)** and an in-person gathering and graduation in the Winter.

No summer semester.

\*While this is a distance learning program, we recommend that the student is on-site for the end of program empowerment gathering and graduation in the winter. If this requirement presents a problem, please contact Veronica Avila at Catholic Extension after submitting your application.

### **Who is Eligible?**

Any mission diocese agreeing to the Terms and Conditions of the Initiative and submitting nominations for qualified pastoral leaders may apply. Selected pastoral leaders should possess the following profile:

- Strong history of service in the diocese
- Possess a high level of maturity and commitment to the Church
- Work with the Hispanic community
- Must have attended the summer 2022 Mujer Valiente conference in University of Dallas

### **To Apply:**

Complete the Online Application Form (one application required per student) by the deadline of **Friday, November 11, 2022.**

Note: Catholic Extension requires proof of COVID-19 vaccination for all students/participants in our programs. If you are accepted for this program, you will be requested to provide us with a current copy of your vaccination card at that time.

Important Dates:

**November 17, 2022– Orientation via Zoom (required).**

Classes will go from **January 2023 – November 2023**. Students will be provided specific course dates at the required online orientation.

Completed applications include:

- √ Official Letter of Endorsement from Bishop
- √ Online Catholic Extension Application Form (to be completed by Diocesan representative)
- √ Signed Partnership Agreement by all parties (Student, Diocesan Representative, Mentor)
- √ Scholarship Attestation Form
- √ Vaccination card photo upload

Please contact Veronica Avila, [vavila@catholicextension.org](mailto:vavila@catholicextension.org), 312-795-5128, for questions related to the Mujer Valiente Leadership Certificate Program.

## Partnership Agreement

### Terms and Conditions: Rules and Responsibilities

#### **DIOCESE:**

- Submits application and necessary diocesan documents for eligible leaders to participate in the Mujer Valiente Leadership Certificate with the University of Dayton.
- Identifies and selects on-site Mentor to guide pastoral leaders during the program. **The assigned mentor must be able and willing to provide meaningful pastoral and guidance and support.**
- Fulfills Catholic Extension reporting requirements, by providing progress evaluations with empirical data and highlighting the student's major pastoral accomplishments.

#### **STUDENT:**

- Must have a working computer/laptop.
- Covers any additional fees (books and supplies)
- Must attend Zoom Orientation on Thursday, November 17, 2022. Link will be sent once grant is approved.
- Cooperates with the Catholic Extension Marketing Team when interviews or other marketing materials are requested.
- Completes certificate program in one year, the courses and graduation as follows:

#### **COURSES**

Courses will be offered in two semesters: Spring 2023 (Jan.- May) and Fall 2023 – (Sep. – Nov.).

1. *Introducción al Liderazgo para el Ministerio – 1.5 CREDITOS*
2. *Inteligencia Emocional para la Pastoral – 2.5 CREDITOS*
3. *Comunicación y Comunidad – 2.5 CREDITOS*
4. *Desarrollo Humano y Espiritualidad. – 1.5 CREDITOS*
5. *Herramientas y Habilidades Multiculturales para el Ministerio – 2.5 CREDITOS*

**EMPOWERMENT GATHERING AND GRADUATION:** Nov. 30 – Dec. 2 (in-person at University of Dayton).

#### **CATHOLIC EXTENSION:**

- Covers 100% tuition cost (5 courses) and travel expenses to/from University of Dayton (airfare, lodging, meals) for the empowerment gathering and graduation Nov. 30 – Dec. 2.

**Partnership Agreement: Diocesan Representative, On-Site Supervisor/Mentor, and Student**

*Instructions: Please print, sign, and return to Veronica Avila at Catholic Extension.*

I have read the Terms and Conditions of the Partnership Agreement and agree to uphold my individual commitment as an active partner in the **Mujer Valiente Leadership Certificate Program**.

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Diocesan Representative First and Last Name  
and Date

Signature

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On-Site Mentor First and Last Name

Signature and Date

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Student First and Last Name

Signature and Date