



Application for Admission to The Center for Spiritual Direction

■ Personal information

Name _____
First Middle Last

Social Security Number _____/_____/_____

Citizenship U. S. citizen U. S. Citizen living abroad Canadian citizen
 Other citizenship _____

Email address(es) _____

Materials pertaining to housing, registration, orientation, and billing will be mailed to this address.

Home address _____
Street Address Apartment Number

City/State/ZIP Country

Home phone _____ Work phone _____

Cell phone _____ Birth date _____/_____/_____
mm dd year

Birth place _____
City State/Province Country

Church background and denomination

Church membership (please list name, city and state)

Current Church Involvement: Briefly describe your church involvement (e.g., teaching, leadership, care-giving)

Academic Information

Please send all original transcripts, unopened, to North Park Theological Seminary

Name of School	Location	Dates Attended	Degrees Earned

Note: If you did not earn a bachelor's degree at an accredited institution with at least a 2.50 g.p.a., then you must also submit (1) a research paper of at least five pages in length on a biblical or theological topic, and (2) a letter explaining why it is not feasible to complete an undergraduate degree.

References

Please give these forms to two non-family members you trust to know your gifts, work, and potential as a Spiritual Director. The recommendations should be mailed or faxed only by the person completing the form, for confidentiality purposes

Ethnic background (optional)

- American Indian/Alaskan Native Asian/Pacific Islander Non-resident alien/International
 African American, Black, Non-Hispanic Latino/Hispanic/Chicano
 Caucasian/White, European Other, please describe _____

Work History

Please attach a resume of previous work experience.

Application Essays

- Please write and attach a short essay (no more than 2 pages total) that includes answers to the following questions with headings for each section.
 - Describe your sense of call into the ministry of spiritual direction.
 - What attracts you to North Park's program? Include any important life experiences that lie behind this attraction.
 - Describe the current extent of your giving and/or receiving spiritual direction.
 - Explain your personal experience with discernment. How do you hear God, make a decision, and implement that decision?
 - What is your understanding of the intent of spiritual direction and what do you feel are the most important qualifications of a spiritual director?
 - How would you honestly assess your assets and developmental needs relevant to spiritual direction at this point?
 - With whom, and where, do you expect to use your learning?
- Please include a bibliography of the readings you have done related to the ministry of Spiritual Direction.
- Please answer each of the following questions in short paragraph form. (no more than 4 pages total)
 - Please describe your conversion, and the key influences in your life.
 - Describe your experiences of people seeking you out for prayer, counsel, and support.
 - What do you need from this program and what do you have to offer this program?
 - How will this program fit in with your commitments and obligations?
 - What leisure and recreational activities do you enjoy?

Further Instructions

- Fill out the application completely and return it with the three essays by mail or fax to the address below.
- Pay the \$50 application fee via check (to North Park Theological Seminary) or credit card (this may be done via telephone).
- Request official academic transcripts from all post-high school accredited institutions attended to be sent directly to North Park.
- Distribute recommendation forms and request that the completed forms be mailed/faxed directly to North Park.
- International students and those whose first language is not English may have additional requirements.
- If admitted, you will receive information on housing, registration, orientation, and pre-course assignments.
- Application and materials deadline is March 31.

I hereby make application for admission to North Park Theological Seminary and promise to abide by the regulations of North Park and to promote its best interest. I certify that to the best of my knowledge all answers given in the application are complete and correct. I authorize the person I listed in the reference section to give information about me. I agree that this application and all supporting documents submitted will become property of North Park.

Signature _____

Date _____

Send all materials to: Seminary Admission, Box 14; North Park Theological Seminary;

3225 West Foster Avenue; Chicago, IL 60625-9972; Phone: 800-964-0101; Fax: (773) 279-7978; Email: semadmissions@northpark.edu