

# **Proposed Learning Activities and Experiences**

- Dialoguing
- Pronunciation and fluency exercises
- Guest speakers
- Video clips
- Situational role play
- Email writing and phone call practice
- Computer exercises
- Presentations
- Lunch conversations and cultural discussions



## **MISSION STATEMENT**

La Roche University, a Catholic institution of higher learning, founded and sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters of Divine Providence, fosters global citizenship and creates a community of scholars from the region, the nation and around the world.

La Roche integrates liberal arts and professional education in creative ways, empowering all members of our community to become lifelong learners, achieve success in their chosen careers and promote justice and peace in a constantly changing, global society.



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# CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SUMMER ENGLISH INSTITUTE

JULY 22 to AUGUST 8 | 2019

La Roche University's Clergy and Religious Summer English Institute prepares priests and religious for everyday communication in professional and parish environments.

# Participants focus on several areas to improve their English language skills:

- Vocabulary building
- Speaking fluency
- Accent reduction
- Conversation norms
- Writing and reading for professional purposes
- Building cultural competence
- Focus on liturgical nomenclature
- Public speaking skills



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Clergy and Religious
SUMMER ENGLISH INSTITUTE



### **Dates and Times**

July 22 to Aug. 8, 2019 Classes Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration deadline: June 7

# **Total Program Cost: \$2200**

**COST INCLUDES:** 

- On-campus housing accommodations
- Weekday meals
- Textbooks and supplies
- Cultural excursion fees

# **Daily Course Format**

Morning session – 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Lunch – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Afternoon session – 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.



# **Course Descriptions**

**Vocabulary and Culture –** This daily 2.5-hour session focuses on building conversational and professional vocabulary associated with the needs of clergy members. It also focuses on sociopragmatics and cultural aspects of learning the English language.

**Speaking Skills and Accent Reduction –** This daily 2.5-hour session emphasizes and promotes the use of English language for conversational purposes. Exercises focus on fluency of speech, accent reduction and pronunciation skills. Participants also work on public speaking and presentation skills in English.

# **Program Highlights**

- Students receive 20 contact hours per week in an English immersion program that focuses on their immediate language acquisition needs such as: conversational English skills, accent reduction, vocabulary building, cultural competence, public speaking, and writing and reading for professional purposes.
- Small class sizes allow for intensive study and a personal, supportive environment for all types of learners.
- Courses focus on the English skills and vocabulary that working clergy members need to actively participate in their communities and parish environments.
- A focus on accent reduction and fluency provides clergy members with confidence in using English in everyday settings and public speaking situations.
- Students work with ESL teachers who hold years of experience helping adult learners achieve their specific language learning needs.
- Guest speakers from various areas and fields will visit the classroom.
- Students can apply what they learn during regular conversational practice with native speakers.
- Participants will explore the city of Pittsburgh through planned cultural excursions.