
CERTIFICATE IN CATHOLIC STUDIES (C.C.S.)

CCS-069 THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD II – AGENTS OF CHANGE

COURSE OUTLINE

The Church in the World II - Agents of Change - This course continues the study of the Church in the world through its work in international aid and development. In this course, we will focus, using case studies, on the particular works of the Church in Latin America, Asia, Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Here, students will be introduced to the wide variety of Catholic international aid and development organizations and their core assignment will include volunteering with any one of these organizations.

General Course Objectives

1. Develop a strong understanding of the key themes of Catholic Social Teaching
2. Recognize the economic, political, and social dimensions of global issues.
3. Analyze, critique and debate approaches to global issues, through short-written reflections and online discussion.
4. Develop an informed and analytical understanding of the Church as an actor in international aid and development.
5. Understand and apply key concepts through practical engagement with faith-based international development organizations.

Course Structure and Highlights

Week 1: Latin America

Week 2: Europe and the Middle East

Week 3: Asia

Week 4: Africa

Week 5: Agents of Change

Resources

Online Documents.

[*The Catechism of the Catholic Church.*](#)

[*The Holy Bible.*](#)

Assessment

The Church in the World II - Agents of Change consists of ten lessons and ten assignments, with each assignment weighted at 10% (percent) of the total grade.

Technical Skills and Equipment Requirements

1. You must have Internet access. A high-speed connection, either ADSL or cable, is recommended.
2. You should know how to use a web browser to navigate the web to locate educational resources and download files.
3. You will need the files management skills necessary to create directories, to save files and to retrieve files.