

Graduate Diploma in the Pastoral Care of Human Mobility

An initiative of the Scalabrini International Migration Institute (SIMI), which is incorporated to the Pontifical Urbanian University, Rome in cooperation with the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People, Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office, Fondazione Migrantes and Fundación Comisión Católica Argentina de Migraciones



An On-Line Diploma

This program offers students a Graduate Diploma in Pastoral Care of Human Mobility. Students who successfully complete the graduate diploma will be eligible to progress to the Advanced Graduate Diploma program. The Graduate Diploma comprises of five courses that are distributed in one full academic year (November to June). The same structure will be used for the Advanced Diploma. All courses will be “reading courses” where face-to-face lessons are substituted by the individual reading of reference materials prepared by the professor every fortnight. This online reading course will be delivered through the SIMI e-learning platform. Students will be required to show the completion of the assignment by summarising readings or by providing written answers to questions prepared by the professor. The successful completion will be determined by the passing of exams of all the courses. At the end of each level a diploma will be given to successful students.

For each level students are requested to pay tuition fees, which include the academic taxes, access to the e-learning platform, Reading materials in PDF and the official diploma. Tuition Fees would vary depending on the country where the applicant is based. For developing countries there are scholarships available. Kindly send your inquiries to the SIMI secretariat or browse the following link: www.acmro.catholic.org.au.

Graduate Diploma

- The Teaching of the Church and the Pastoral Care of Human Mobility (PCHM)
- Old Testament and PCHM
- Elements of the PMH 1
- Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in the Migration Context
- The Phenomenon of Human Mobility

Advanced Diploma

- A Theological Reading of the Migration Phenomenon
- Elements of the PCHM 2
- Spirituality of the PCHM
- Ethics and PCHM
- New Testament and PCHM



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Description of the Courses

Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in the Migration Context – Caterina Boca

The course aims to provide a detailed picture of the legal instruments protecting migrants, refugees and their families at the international and regional levels. Students would be led to better understand the migration phenomena and be able to develop initiatives aiming at promoting the protection of the human rights of the people on the move.

The Teaching of the Church and the Pastoral Care of Human Mobility - Maurizio Pettenà

This course intends to offer an overview on the process of developing consciousness on the part of the Catholic Church of her special mission for and with people on the move. The magisterial documents that deal *ex professo* with the migrant ministry, both at the universal Church's and at the Asian Churches' levels, will be presented. Special attention will be given to the theological and pastoral indications provided in the 2004 instruction *Erga Migrantes Caritas Christi*.

Old Testament and Pastoral Care of Human Mobility – Gioacchino Campese

The course offers some guidance on biblical literature of the Old Testament (Torah, Prophets and Writings) referring to the pastoral care of human mobility. This is in view of identifying elements of biblical theology, encouraging the discussion among pastoral workers and guiding their activities in the multiple dimensions of contemporary challenges, drawing on the divine revelation.

The Phenomenon of Human Mobility - Fabio Baggio

The course aims to introduce students to the study of human mobility from a scientific perspective. Drawing on elements and definitions from the human and political sciences, migration theories and classifications will be explained. Some essential elements of the history of migration will also be discussed. Students will be guided to develop their own interpretative model, in consonance with the Church's social doctrine.

Elements of Pastoral Care of Human Mobility 1 - Aldo Skoda

The course will discuss the main concept of pastoral care and within it define the pastoral care of human mobility. Such care would be classified by beneficiaries (pastoral care of migrants, pastoral care of seafarers, pastoral care of refugees, etc.) highlighting the peculiarities of each one of them. The course will also present some selected pastoral models (examples of pastoral initiatives catering to people on the move) in the present time..

A Theological Reading of the Migration Phenomenon - Gaetano Parolin

The course intends to answer the following common question: ¿Is there any relationship between migrants' experience, which is often dramatic and complex, and theology? After presenting a brief reflection on theology, the professor will introduce three different approaches that developed in the last years according to the following three categories: the migrant as poor, the migrant as such and the migrant as foreigner. The latter will be particularly discussed adopting the category of recognition.

Elements of Pastoral Care of Human Mobility 2 – Aldo Skoda

The course will discuss the main structures of the pastoral care of human mobility at the universal, national and diocesan levels (from the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People to the *missio cum cura animarum*). Moreover the specific role of lay people and religious men and women in the pastoral care of human mobility will be discussed.

Ethics and Pastoral Care of Human Mobility – Fabio Baggio

Starting from selected principles of Christian ethics, this course intends to offer a reflection on the challenges posed by contemporary migration. The tension between migration policies and the right to immigrate and the questions posed by human mobility to the universality of human rights will be discussed. The course aims at identifying paths of reconciliation between migration theories and principles of Christian ethics and developing some concrete pastoral responses..

New Testament and Pastoral Care of Human Mobility – Gioacchino Campese

The course offers some guidance on biblical literature of the New Testament (Gospels, Acts of the Apostles and Apostolic letters) referring to the pastoral care of human mobility. This is in view of identifying elements of biblical theology, encouraging discussion among pastoral workers and guiding their activities in the multiple dimensions of contemporary challenges, drawing on the divine revelation.

Spirituality of the Pastoral Care of Human Mobility – Analita Candaten

The course aims at highlighting the core aspects of spiritual theology that emerge from reflection on migration, outlining the essential features of a specific spirituality that can offer reasons to those involved in the phenomenon of human mobility, emphasizing the value of integration between the spiritual and missionary dimensions, since the perspective which all pastoral initiatives must be set in is holiness.