

## Requirements for Admission

The applicant must submit the following:

1. Fully accomplished application form for the Socio-Pastoral Renewal Course for Priests
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Letter of recommendation from the bishop
4. Medical Certificate indicating fitness to undertake the course

## Qualifications

1. Twenty-one (21) to fifty (50) years old
2. With experiences in pastoral (parish) work
3. Committed to stay for the entire duration of the seminar
4. Proficient in the English language

## Fees\*

Tuition Fee	Php 12,000.00
Miscellaneous	Php 8,000.00
Board and Lodging	Php 30,000.00
	<b>Php 50,000.00</b>

\*Includes materials, exposure, cultural fest, graduation, etc. Transportation expenses to and from place of origin and pocket money are shouldered by the participants.

Please address all check payments to:

**Asian Social Institute, Inc.**

For inquiries or if you would like to send your applications, you may write to:

**Dr. Reynaldo R. Romero**  
*Head, MS Pastoral Sociology Section*

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or you may download the application form  
“*Socio-Pastoral Renewal Course for Priests*”  
at

**[www.asinet-online.org](http://www.asinet-online.org)**

or you may also send us your request for the  
application form at:

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## Other Contact Information

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(+ 63 2) 5266155

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## ASIAN SOCIAL INSTITUTE (ASI)

An Asian Social Science Graduate School of Transformative Praxis towards Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation (JPIC)

# Socio-Pastoral Renewal Course for Priests

## A Summer Course



## ASIAN SOCIAL INSTITUTE

Asian Social Institute (ASI) is a graduate school of social sciences founded in June 1962 by Father Francis Senden, a CICM Dutch missionary.

ASI's thrust is to contribute to an experientially and culturally based theory of social transformation, giving importance to the person and community and their essential relationships as well as to the creation of a social climate which enables persons to achieve their full human potentials towards community wealth and well-being.

**The formation of leaders in the political and socio-economic field for Asia is premised on the faith that the ASI founder nurtured in the Asian.**

- that amidst the culture of insecurity, the Asian shall respond to the challenge of transcending his/her family and work interests, with genuine concern, for the common welfare of society in the spirit of justice, peace and integrity of creation; and,
- that nurturing the inner giftedness of the person will enhance one's sense of mission for the wholeness of life and all life-forms.

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

The program envisions that diocesan priest students become persons who are holistically renewed and transformed in faith as they fully participate in the mission of the Church in our society today.

To realize this vision, the program commits itself to the following principles:

1. Primacy of faith experience and its cultural context;
2. A Christ-inspired mission and ministry;
3. Global, ecumenical and interfaith in perspective, action, and celebration;
4. Interdisciplinary in approach; and
5. Focus on servant leadership in the management of change.

### Objectives:

1. Process the priests' life issues and resolve matters accordingly toward self-enhancement and personal maturity;
2. Focus their spiritual search toward the charism and lifestyle befitting diocesan priests;
3. Evaluate their theological views vis-à-vis the Church, Church and His mission (Ecclesiology, Christology and Missiology), starting from their concrete experiences leading to the acquisition of an updated theological framework;
4. Experience community life with fellow diocesan priests, enriched by mutual trust and support, and in the process, formulate the dynamics and goals of community building with the parish setting; and
5. Acquire new skills in participatory research, communications, project planning and management, community organization, and organizational development and planning.

### Methodology

Lectures, workshops, reflections, structured learning exercises and a one-week live-in field exposure in selected rural-urban poor communities.

## Course Content

1. Perspectives on Transformative Praxis
2. Process of Values Development and Human Relations Training
3. Understanding the Community from a Socio-Cultural Perspective
4. Community Development:
  - Principles, Theories and Practices
  - Basic Principles and Phases in Community Development
  - Community Organizing
  - Participatory Action Research
  - Conflict Management
  - Project Development and Management (Planning, Implementation, Monitoring, Evaluation, and Resource Mobilization)
  - Community Disaster Risk Reduction
5. Development on the Mezzo Level: Co-creating Sustainable Bio-regional Communities (CSBCom)
6. Field Exposure/Immersion
7. Communication for Development
  - Sociology of Communication
  - Spirituality of Communication
  - Communication Skills Development (Newsletter-writing, which includes graphic design and powerpoint presentation; Visual Arts, which includes poster-making and photo-voice; and, Community Drama)
8. Training Design and Techniques
9. Theology Renewal
  - Spirituality and Discernment
  - Personhood and Sexuality
  - Theological Perspectives/Themes

## Course Session

Monday to Saturday

- 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

