

General Information

The programme will begin on February 3, 2020 and continue through June 29, 2020. The programme is non-residential.

Procedure for Application:

- Fill in the Application Form <u>here</u>
- Submit completed application form and other requirements on or before August 31, 2019
- Be available for interview through Skype at a date and time to be agreed
- After the interview, applications will be reviewed by the Coordination Team who will communicate the response to the person and to the Superior General

Interviews will take place in September/October.

The total fee for the programme is € 3.850 with an initial payment of 200 euros, due when an applicant is accepted.

The remainder should be paid by:

December 31, 2019.

The payment should be sent to UISG Bank account and a copy sent to the following email: formation@uisg.org

Bank Transfer details

UISG - International Union of Superiors General Name of Bank: Credito Valtellinese Address of Bank: Via S. Pio X, 06/10 - 00193 Rome IBAN: IT18M0521603229000000091195 (Note that IT is "IT" as in ITALY) BIC/SWIFT: BPCVIT2S





"The five months programme at UISG is not only about training formators for formation. It is also a time of personal renewal and transformation."

"The UISG Formation programme has enabled me to reflect deeply on my vocation as a Religious and provides me with the opportunity to grow in self awareness, discernment, intercultural competence, accompaniment besides facing some contemporary challenges in Religious Life."

"I have experienced intercultural living here, I have learned how to respect our differences in dialogue, prayer, cooperation, and still have a common vision as formators."



Programme for the Preparation of Formators

Our Purpose

In response to the need to prepare sisters for formation ministry, the International Union of Superiors General (UISG) offers a programme in English for sisters taking up the responsibility of accompanying those in the initial stages of formation to religious life. This programme is offered in the context of the religious congregations of the participants and the needs of the church and the world in the 21st century.

Topics to be covered include:

- Processes of human and spiritual growth
- Intercultural living
- Vocation and the consecrated life
- Spirituality
- Prayer, community, ministry as dimensions of consecrated life
- The vows
- Discernment
- Mission in the context of the world today
- Stages of formation and their processes

During the programme, the participants form a learning and supportive community, take on leadership responsibilities and share the uniqueness of their charisms and cultures.

The participants will have on-going accompaniment and an 8-Day Directed Retreat in Nemi

They will also have an opportunity to visit significant places in Rome and Umbria for prayer, reflection and relaxation.

Our Mission

In an international and intercongregational setting, the participants will explore various dimensions of religious life with a focus on integrating these aspects in their own lives and in assisting newer members to grow into and integrate these dimensions as they become members of the congregations.

The participants will:

- Be physically and psychologically healthy, selfaware, capable of reflection and interiorization
- Be open to different ways of living religious life and capable of dialogue and sharing in an intercultural context
- Have the potential to be a good formator
- Be professed of perpetual vows
- Be currently responsible for formation or already named for this role
- Have an adequate biblical and theological preparation
- Have a sufficient level of English to participate well in the programme
- Be recommended by their Superior General or Provincial as a current or future formator

The programme will offer various ways to help the participant integrate the content of the programme including personal reflection, group work and interaction, and personal accompaniment. Each participant assumes the responsability for her own human and spiritual growth and commits herself to active and engaged participation.