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# Iona in Mission Immersion Leader & Committee Member Application 2017-2018

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Residential/Off-Campus \_\_\_\_ Commuter \_\_\_\_

Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Previous IIM experience: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mark Your Area of Interest**

- Domestic
- International

**Mark Your Preference**

- Mission Immersion
- Service Learning

**Mark Your Break Availability**

- Winter
- Spring Break
- Summer

**Mark Your Application Purpose**

- Trip Leader
- IIM Committee Member
- Open to Either

Below are social justice issues and educational themes that IIM will be exploring in the upcoming year. Please use this section below to help guide you in deciding what motivates you to apply for leadership within Iona in Mission. Mark the issues you would be most interested in working with. **You may check more than one.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Addiction issues</b>                     | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Homelessness/Poverty</b>      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Children's Rights</b>                    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>HIV/AIDS</b>                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Construction and Home Repair</b>         | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Immigration</b>               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Education</b>                            | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Persons with Disabilities</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Edmund Rice &amp; Christian Brothers</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prison Outreach</b>           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Elderly Care</b>                         | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Racism</b>                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Environmental issues</b>                 | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Urban issues</b>              |

**Immersion Preferences:**

Mark your trip preferences below. You may check more than one trip.

*Please keep in mind all trips are tentative and you may also be offered a trip that is not your preference.*

**Note:** "S-L" means service-learning courses are tentatively planned

January	President' Day Weekend	Spring Break	Summer
<input type="checkbox"/> India (S-L)	<input type="checkbox"/> New York City	<input type="checkbox"/> Brownsville, TX	<input type="checkbox"/> L'Arche Boston North
<input type="checkbox"/> Ireland (S-L)		<input type="checkbox"/> Chicago	<input type="checkbox"/> L'Arche Syracuse
<input type="checkbox"/> Nazareth Farm, WV		<input type="checkbox"/> Habitat for Humanity	<input type="checkbox"/> Mississippi
<input type="checkbox"/> Peru		<input type="checkbox"/> New Orleans	<input type="checkbox"/> Rochester
<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia		<input type="checkbox"/> Washington, DC	<input type="checkbox"/> Zambia

## Written Responses:

**Please type a 3-4 page (total) response to the following questions:**

1. What calls you to apply to be a Student Trip Leader and/or Committee Member?  
Is there a particular immersion trip you wish to lead, and if so, why?  
Are you open to leading other immersions? Are there any you wish not to be considered for?
2. A criticism of mission trips is that it is better to give the money your group will spend to the host community rather than actually going for a week or two. How would you respond to this criticism and why should a person go on a short-term service immersion experience like an Iona in Mission trip?
3. Share about your previous experience(s) on an Iona in Mission immersion:
  - a) What were the main things you learned and took away from your trip?
  - b) Have you grown intellectually, emotionally, or spiritually through Iona in Mission?
  - c) Based on your experience, how do you plan to lead an IIM immersion team effectively?
4. **[Please only complete #4 if your applying to be a Student Immersion Leader]**  
Please explain what you might do as a student leader for the following:
  - a) Prepare the team during the pre-immersion meetings?
  - b) Facilitate reflections during the immersion?
  - c) Work on your team's Call to Action in the post-immersion phase?
5. **[Please only complete #5 if your applying to the Iona in Mission Committee]**  
If you are applying for the Committee,
  - a) What is your vision for the Iona in Mission Committee?
  - b) What do you think the IIM program does well that should be continued?
  - c) Develop a very concrete program idea to help improve the IIM program next year.
6. Pick 1 or 2 social justice issues from the section on the first page and please explain why or how you are passionate about these issues.
7. Please identify and **list in bullet form** your previous college experience with:
  - a) Iona in Mission (prior trips and student leader experiences)
  - b) Community service
  - c) Leadership and organization roles
  - d) Linguistic Skills (Fluency in another language)
  - f) Jobs/Internships/Other activities
  - e) All anticipated time commitments for next year
8. Some say social media is superficial, with no room for expressing deep or complex ideas. We challenge you to defy these skeptics by describing yourself as fully and accurately as possible in the 140-character limit of a tweet.

**Please return to Stephen Hill in Mission and Ministry (LaPenta 217)  
by Friday, March 31, 2017 at 5pm.**

**An interview sign-up will be sent electronically to your Iona email.  
You must sign-up for an interview by April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5pm.**