PROGRAM FEES

All program fees based on minimum enrolment. Cost may vary depending on final group size.

Travel to and from the conference site is the responsibility of the participant or the sponsoring agency. Program fees are based on minimum enrolment. A 20% surcharge will be charged per person in undersubscribed programs. All programs subject to late cancellation fee. See www.ccforum.ca for details.

Deepening Understanding for Intercultural Ministry (DUIM) Winter/Spring 6-day February 10 – 15 Toronto ON \$995* International Personnel Supplement February 8 - 9 \$330

June 23 – 28 Winnipeg MB \$995*

*Bursaries available from many denominations. Contact your national church for more information.

Fall 2014 Program TBC

Re-Entry:

October 16 – 19 Toronto \$820 Residential Program

Mission Discernment Event:
By invitation. Dates and Location TBC \$470
Residential Program

Learning for International Faith
Engagement (LIFE) Seminar
April 5 – 6 Tatamagouche NS \$470
Residential Program

September 20 – 21 Toronto ON \$470
Residential program

Online registration at www.ccforum.ca

ABOUT THE FORUM

The Canadian Churches' Forum for Global Ministries (formerly The Ecumenical Forum of Canada) is among the oldest ecumenical organizations in Canada, having emerged from the Canadian School of Missions founded in 1921 by several churches and theological colleges. For over ninety years the Forum has played a unique role in preparing people for global ministry and mission.

The *Forum* is an ecumenical agency that works in partnership to foster intercultural learning, leadership and ministry. Its goal is to stimulate ecumenical dialogue about intercultural ministry, global concerns and social justice and to prepare individuals to serve faithfully in culturally diverse contexts. Through its programs, resources, and initiatives, the *Forum* responds to the changing needs of its member churches, Canadian society and global realities.

As it has since its inception, the *Forum* continues to foster a deep spirit of community and solidarity among groups and individuals of distinct traditions and beliefs involved in intercultural ministry through its programs and other activities.



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2014 Programs

Deepening Understanding for Intercultural Ministry (DUIM)

Dates:

Toronto
February 10 – 16
International Personnel Supplement Feb. 8-9
Winnipeg
June 23 – 28

Fall Program TBC

6-day seminar designed and led by a diverse team of trained facilitators with experience in intercultural ministry. Content draws from participant experiences and expertise of other resource quests.

Purpose:

- To provide introduction to intercultural theory and ministry practices.
- To help ministry leaders who seek to develop vibrant faith communities shaped by cultural relevance, understanding and awareness.

Outcomes:

- Transformed minds, hearts and skills for better relationships across cultural difference.
- 2. Empowered, encouraged, and supported ministry leaders able to hold themselves and others in a place of grace for learning, growth, and change.
- Greater appreciation for cultural identity and how culture impacts theology, relationships and ways of being church together.

Learning Goals:

- 1. To gain greater understanding of one's own culture and one's abilities in cultural diverse settings;
- To engage in faith-based approach to theories of culture and relationships across cultural difference;
- To practice and apply learning to ministry settings including pastoral care, worship leadership, education, nurturing faith communities, and ministry in the wider community.

Participants

Ministry leaders who are from dominant, White Canadian background and leaders from other backgrounds who serve in congregations with dominant White Canadian members with a theological appreciation for diversity and a justice orientation focused on mutual, respectful, faithful relationships across cultural difference.

Discernment

By Invitation Dates and Location TBC

Purpose:

- 1. To help people engage in self exploration and reflection on their vocation and call.
- To work with individuals to discern their suitability for global ministry by considering personal gifts and goals, as well as the goals of the sending organization and receiving hosts.

Re-Entry

Dates: October 16 - 19 Toronto

A group process designed to utilize talents and personal experiences of participants along with presentations by staff and resource people.

Purpose:

The Re-Entry Program is designed to help those returning to Canada following international placements in their process of transition and re-integration.

Program Goals:

- To provide a supportive, ecumenical, community environment in which individuals can reflect on their experiences of global ministry and transition.
- To discuss the challenges and opportunities of reentry and extension of the global ministry experience in North America.

Learning Goals:

- To assess skills, needs and gifts from global ministry experience and formulate future goals.
- 2. To provide for theological reflection on and integration of global ministry experience.
- To deepen understanding of the society and church of Canada and North America.
- 4. To discover opportunities to express solidarity with the culture and community left behind.
- 5. To develop skills for effectively communicating about intercultural ministry experience.
- 6. To provide opportunities for interaction with those in other stages of intercultural ministry.

Participants:

Between eight and twelve people who have been in North America for a minimum of three months after a long-term intercultural ministry experience or a minimum of one month for individuals with terms of one year or less.

Learning for International Faith Engagement (LIFE)

Dates:

April 5 – 6 Tatamagouche NS September 20 – 21 Toronto ON

Who is it for?

- individuals contemplating leadership of international visits
- leaders who already have groups preparing for engagement
- potential hosts
- church committees or staff who wish to support international faith engagement

What does it offer?

- Reflection on the practical and theological issues involved
- Practice and tools for building a program from start to finish
- Networking and sharing of ideas with other international faith engagement leaders

The program includes biblical, historical and contemporary perspectives on direct faith engagement with global partners; intercultural skill building; program discernment, planning, and development; interpersonal and health issues; and financial issues.

Other Program Areas:

- Orientation to Canada for International Visitors
- Group facilitation on global ministry and faith issues
- Anti-Racism Workshop

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