



Coordinator-Participant Meeting Form

Meeting #12: Pulling it All Together
Type of Meeting: Group
When: November

General Description

The general purpose of this month's meeting is to help participants begin to integrate their experiences and therefore to look ahead to the Capstone and beyond. This is a month of reflection and integration, of meaning making for them. It logically and practically precedes the discernment and action planning associated with final workshop and the Capstone.

If necessary, coordinators should feel free to use this month's meeting as an opportunity to explore further the material on Catholicity from the last workshop or to focus more intentionally on the mission project. In such a case the following material can be shifted, in whole or in part, to the December meeting.

Goals of this meeting

- 1) To invite participants to review and reflect upon their experiences thus far in the program, especially:
 - a. The Spiritual Exercises
 - b. The immersion experience
 - c. The online workshops
 - d. The mission project
- 2) To invite participants to make connections among the above experiences, particularly (but not exclusively) in terms of what they know of Ignatian spirituality and how it helps make Jesuit education distinctive.
- 3) To discuss their mission projects and see them as examples of the kind of intentional mission implementation toward which the program aims.
- 4) To prepare the participants for the Capstone.

Suggested agenda for the meeting

- 1) **PRIOR TO THE MEETING:** You may, in an email, want to ask participants to prepare for the meeting by reflecting upon the following (or something similar): Please name and briefly describe two or three of the most significant learning experiences of the program so far. What connections can you trace among the various components of the program? How are they helping you understand the goals, purposes, and distinctiveness of Jesuit education? Are there any points of disjuncture that you would like to discuss?
- 2) Once the meeting begins, you might take a moment to "check-in" with people and see if they have any pressing questions or concerns.
- 3) As time allows, discuss their responses to the above reflection questions (even if you didn't get to distribute them ahead of time).
- 4) Leave 10-15 minutes or so at the end to discuss their projects. Invite them to share their project status with one another, knowing that some people may still be in the planning or implementation stages.
- 5) Try to be sure they understand the mission project as a concrete example of how we hope they will, in the future, inject more well-informed mission intentionality to the work they do. In this way, the project is paradigmatic of the work they will do in the future. As such, it is a beginning and not an end. It is a learning experience upon which they will build in the future.

Coordinator Follow Up:

Please provide Ed Peck with a brief summary of your meeting, being sure to point out any concerns or suggestions about the participants' experience or about the program's development. Do they feel prepared for January's Capstone Experience?