

LMU Youth Theology Institute Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

What is included in registration?

Registration includes housing for the week, meals/snacks, transportation, entrance fees, materials, t-shirt and all other related costs. It does not include parking costs for participants who drive. The LMU YTI is made possible by a generous grant from the Lily Endowment Inc.

Where will my son/daughter be sleeping?

All YTI participants will be staying in one of the LMU residence halls. Rooms there are double occupancy, most adjoined to another room with a shared bathroom. YTI staff take special care in preparing the housing list. Participants will be paired up with another YTI participant from another school or church to promote a broader sense of community at YTI. All rooms, together with adjoining rooms sharing a bathroom, will be single sex. If possible, all rooms on a given floor will be single sex.

Will there be supervision at YTI?

YTI participants will be supervised by undergraduate or graduate mentors and faculty throughout the week. Four faculty members supervise the YTI (including one living in the residence halls), and there will be one mentor for every 8-10 participants at all times. All mentors and faculty have completed safe environment training and directives (fingerprinting & VIRTUS training) provided by Safeguard the Children in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

I've completed the minor release form and code of conduct, where should I send it?

You can return both of these forms by:

1. Emailing a scanned copy of both forms to: YTI@lmu.edu
2. Mailing them to:
LMU Youth Theology Institute
1 LMU Drive
Suite 3700
Los Angeles, CA 90045
3. Bringing them with you when you check in at YTI on June 18, 2018

No student will be able to participate without both the minor release form and code of conduct completed and signed.

What do I need to pack?

- Soap and shampoo
- Toiletries. Towels will be provided.
- Sunscreen
- Alarm clock
- Chargers for all devices
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt for evenings
- Clothing for outdoor activities (including sneakers)
- Refillable water bottle (MUST)

- Students may wish bring their own sleeping bag or XL sheet set. Thin, disposable sheets, blanket, and pillow case will be provided.

Will my son/daughter need any money?

A small amount of money (not required) can be brought to use at various places students will visit. Participants will be responsible for their own money.

Can my son/daughter leave YTI and come back?

All YTI participants are expected to be present during the entire week of YTI. Due to the intense schedule and issues of safety, YTI participants may not leave for any duration and return.

Who leads the institute?

The Youth Theology Institute is conducted by LMU Theology faculty, staff, graduate and undergraduate students. For more information on the faculty please visit:

<http://bellarmine.lmu.edu/youththeologyinstitute/aboutus/ytifacultyprofiles/>

What if my son/daughter has a food allergy/dietary restriction?

Please be sure to indicate any food allergies/dietary restrictions at the time of registration. Most of the meals will take place in the LMU dining commons, which provides a variety of options to accommodate different dietary needs, but there will be some days students will receive lunch boxes.

What time does it begin and end?

YTI 2018 begins on June 18, 2018 at 10am and will conclude on June 22, 2018 at 4pm. Information regarding check-in location and pick up will be provided.

Can parents come and observe?

Parents, family members, leaders, and friends are invited to attend the YTI Film Festival that takes place on June 22, 2018. Exact time and location to be announced.

My son/daughter is 18, can they drive themselves?

Yes, they will be permitted to drive themselves, but will require a parking permit for their vehicle. Please email Frances Park at YTI@lmu.edu for more information.

If I have other questions, who should I reach out to?

Please feel free to contact Frances Park, YTI recruitment coordinator at YTI@lmu.edu if you have any additional questions.