

**UCC Polity Course  
General Synod 2017  
Hosted by Lancaster Theological Seminary**

With General Synod 2017 as both an occasion for and subject of our study, we will examine the history, theology, structures, and practice of ministry in today's UCC. What makes this denomination distinctive and innovative, as well as rooted in tradition? How can leaders "make the case" for the UCC as a vital voice within contemporary progressive Christianity? We will deal with these questions and more in our week of intensive study and shared experience.

Course registration (Deadline: May 24, 2017) Register at:

<https://lancasterseminary.edu/academics/ucc-polity-course-general-synod-2017/>

**Course schedule:**

Wednesday, June 28

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

6:30 pm - 8:30pm

Thursday, June 2

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Friday, June 30

9:00 am -12:00 pm

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Wednesday, July 5

9:00 am -12:00 pm

Saturday, July 1 through Tuesday, July 4: approximately four hours daily, depending on General Synod schedule and planned special events for Members in Discernment, with specific times to be negotiated with participants after class begins.

**Location:**

The course will take place at a location to be announced within walking distance of the Baltimore Convention Center.

**Target Attendees:**

You are encouraged to enroll if you are:

- A seminarian or seminary graduate or Member in Discernment seeking ordination;
- A clergyperson seeking (or considering) ministerial standing in the UCC through privilege of call;
- A clergyperson seeking dual standing while serving in a federated or union setting, or a Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) pastor anticipating ministry in a UCC congregation;
- A person who has been encouraged to take a polity course by your Church and Ministry Committee;
- A pastor or layperson who wants to refresh your knowledge about today's UCC.

Students may register either as non-credit certificate students or as seminary credit-earning graduate students. More info at

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