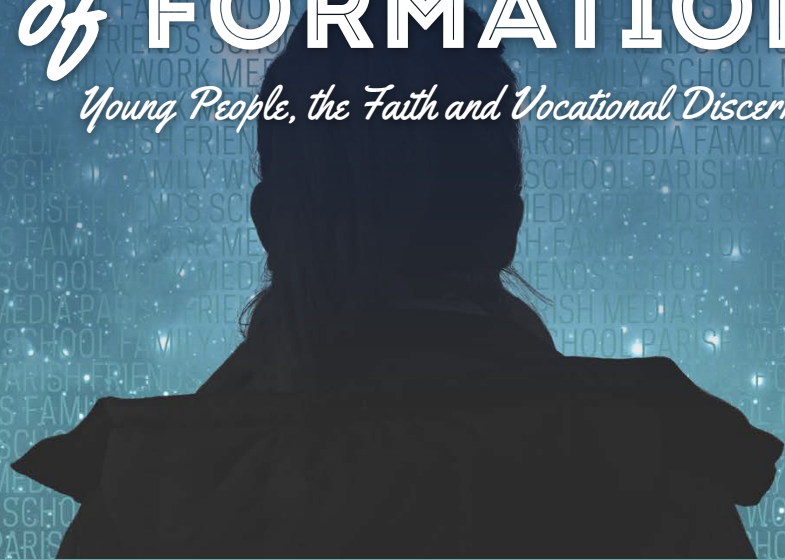


# CULTURES *of* FORMATION: *Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment*



## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The McGrath Institute for Church Life is issuing a call for proposals for an academic and pastoral conference. Cultures of Formation will be held March 5-7, 2018 at the University of Notre Dame in anticipation of the 2018 General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome.

We are accepting proposals for papers and presentations in two areas: **Cultural Analysis** and **Missionary Creativity**.

Presentations should be approximately 20 minutes.

### Proposal guidelines:

- No more than 500 words
- Word document or PDF accepted
- Include proposed presenter's name, position and contact info
- Email to [icl@nd.edu](mailto:icl@nd.edu) with subject line "2018 Conference Proposal"
- Deadline is Oct. 18, 2017

Visit [icl.nd.edu/synod](http://icl.nd.edu/synod) for more information.

### *Cultural Analysis:*

These presentations are concerned with exploring and commenting on the prevalent cultural influences relating to the ideals and behavioral motivations of young people. The presentations may focus specifically on educational trends, familial issues, technology, or matters relating to the life of the parish, among others. In other words, how are young people being formed today and to what end?

### *Missionary Creativity:*

These presentations propose innovative ideas, strategies, or even programs in light of contemporary concerns and needs for the sake of building cultures conducive to faithful vocational discernment for young people. The presentations may focus on the renewal of theological education, catechetical enrichment, campus ministry, young adult or youth ministry in parish settings, new ecclesial movements, and other forms of dynamic pastoral engagement that foster vocational discernment. For reference on "missionary creativity", see paragraph 57 of *Amoris Laetitia* and paragraph 28 of *Evangelii Gaudium*.