

AUUA CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM MODULE

Section 1

Goal/Area of Focus:

Governance at all levels of UU organization, congregational polity

Level 1: Investigate and describe governance of the congregation, district and UUA. Determine the meaning of congregational policy, and its implications for decision making within the congregations and specifically for the organization you serve.

Level 2: Describe how you interact with the various levels of organization in Unitarian Universalism and how their governance impacts this interaction.

Section 2

Goal/Area of Focus:

Orientation to UU Faith, familiarity with beliefs, Denominational Organization & Culture

Level 1: Attend a New UU/UU101 class or read a basic book on Unitarian Universalism (ex. *A Chosen Faith*) and describe new learnings. Briefly describe at least three variations of the response you might give when questioned about Unitarian Universalism, its beliefs and practices.

Level 2: Discuss these responses with your minister or other religious professional and report on the outcome of the conversation.

Section 3

Goal/Area of Focus:

History of specific UU congregation/organization

Level 1: Write a brief history of the congregation/organization in which you are employed.

Level 2: Expand this history to include a look forward to reflect any strategic plans, mission statements, visioning projects, etc.

Suggested Reference Materials

This list reflects only a small portion of the possible resources available on this subject and the candidate is encouraged to find and cultivate other resources for their use. Please note the resources used when submitting final material.

General Knowledge of Unitarian Universalism

Buehrens, John A., F. Forrest Church. *A Chosen Faith*. Boston: Beacon Press, 1998.

Schutz, William F., ed. *The Unitarian Universalist Pocket Guide*. Boston: Skinner House Books, 1993 or later edition.

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