



*"YMI is an innovative means of delivering high-quality substantive theological training for those on the front lines of ministry in our culture."*

*-Brian Russell, Dean at Asbury Theological Seminary,  
Orlando, Florida*

## DO YOU KNOW?

*Only 1 in 4 youth ministers have formal training for their current job.*

*4 out of 5 YMI trained youth ministers remain at their job greater than 5 years, which more than doubles the average tenure.*

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# EMPOWERING YOUTH MINISTERS TO BECOME **SKILLED & EFFECTIVE** LEADERS

Whether your youth minister is a recent college graduate, starting a second career, or is a seasoned youth ministry specialist of many years, the Youth Ministry Institute has a great deal to offer.

Our two-year training program is more than a short course on how to lead a Bible study or organize a retreat. Instead, all elements of the YMI training program work together, building a mutual commitment for excellence in youth ministry among clergy, congregation, and youth ministers at each local church.

It includes:

- **325 hours** of classroom instruction on a variety of topics taught by expert faculty in a variety of settings including the eleven two-day retreats, four theological intensives and four conferences.
- **120 hours** of coaching in a one-on-one relationship with a youth ministry veteran and in a cohort of like minded youth ministers.
- **Two Assessment tools** developed by respected partners, Ministry Architects and HUMAN eX Ventures, in order to encourage strategic foundational structures, self-awareness and professional development.
- **Unlimited Consulting** for the local church extends a third year beyond the two-year program. Ongoing support is important to YMI so excellence in youth ministry may be sustained.

Throughout the two-year program, YMI emphasizes the creation of processes that lead to the robust youth ministry that the church and youth minister envisioned when they first began. To apply for the Youth Ministry Institute, a youth minister must be currently serving actively in a paid or volunteer role in a local church.



*Locations in Florida and the Midwest,  
serving Missouri, Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska.*

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