

Introduction

"Faith and reason are necessary and complementary in the pursuit of truth. God created man with an innate vocation to the truth and he gave him reason for this purpose."

LORD DAVID ALTON



The Christian Leadership Formation programme was conceived of by The Lord Alton of Liverpool (Crossbench Life peer since 1997, and first elected as an MP in 1979). He has long recognised the need for a greater preparation of future leaders, given the increasingly complex, ethical challenges they face in decision-making.

The Christian Heritage Centre charity, founded in 2012 by Lord Alton, launched the desired course in 2021. The charity partnered with St Mary's University, Twickenham, the Catholic Union of Great Britain and ADF International, besides other organisations and independent academics, in order to offer top-quality input from experts in their fields.

The course is delivered over three residential modules, held at the charity's Theodore House on the Stonyhurst estate, Lancashire (module one) and at Westminster Diocese's SPEC youth centre in Pinner, London (modules two and three). The third module involves a visit to Parliament, with a tour and closing ceremony to conclude the course.

Students of the course receive academic input of a philosophical, theological and ethical character through lectures; workshops on the prerequisite personal qualities and practical aspects of public leadership; training sessions in public speaking and self-knowledge; and sessions with key, political figures. The content is delivered within a structured framework, which includes time for prayer and liturgy, socialising, activities and discussion.

The course provides an excellent opportunity for students to meet like-minded peers from around the country, as well as to engage with established academics, important organisations and political figures.

Full or part sponsorships are available for all the places on this course, as we do not wish for financial concerns to impede access to the course.

For further information, questions and to submit applications for this course, please contact:



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