Educational Opportunity

Full scholarship for an interactive course with financial and professional perks!

<u>Virtues in the Public Square</u> is an undergraduate certificate program that engages undergraduates in a twelve hour multimedia course. Students access the course on ReligionAndPublicLife.org, a social learning community and mobile app and complete it at their own pace, any time between August 29 to September 25, 2022. Learners will receive the following benefits:

- \$100 Visa Gift Card upon completion;
- Professional certificate, featurable on Linkedin; and
- **Membership** in an interactive community of leaders, learners, and scholars at ReligionAndPublicLife.org.

What is the Virtues in the Public Square program?

<u>Virtues in the Public Square</u> is an exciting multimedia course that explores seven virtues—wisdom, justice, courage, temperance, humility, generosity, and friendship—through the lenses of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. This academic, non-sectarian curriculum translates the classical traditions of virtue for modern audiences. Oriented toward service to one another, this course models how humanity's various spiritual paths can overlap to collectively forge a common good. Participants will leave the course having experienced a series of multifaith encounters, having developed the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and motivations for living in a religiously diverse society, and ultimately, working together to virtuously pursue the common good in a pluralist society.

Who Sponsored this Program?

This multimedia course is an education initiative of the <u>Fetzer Institute</u>, <u>Religious Freedom Institute</u>, and <u>The Foundation for Religious Literacy</u>. Housed on the social learning community <u>ReligionAndPublicLife.org</u>, the course will accept up to 100 undergraduate students—regardless of major or year—and will feature videos, commentary, and roundtable discussion with the leading Christian, Jewish, and Muslim scholars in ethics, theology, and political/social thought.

Those who take the course will receive free access to ReligionAndPublicLife.org, and the companion app, and explore eight lessons based on the following virtues: wisdom, justice, courage, temperance, friendship, humility, and generosity.

What Will Students Learn?

Learners will use the app to take the following WISE steps. *Watch* videos about the diverse ways that virtue is understood in the three traditions; *Interact* with retention games to cultivate the civic competency of religious literacy; *Study* with leading experts by listening to audio roundtables and reading illuminating commentary; and *Engage* with one another through discussion forums, photo sharing, and games.

How Do Students Apply?

Students can apply for the full scholarship by <u>completing this brief application</u> no later than May 15, 2022.