



March 2021

Greetings Students and Parents,

The Erie City Mission's Urban University Youth Program empowers 7th-12th grade students in Erie county toward servant leadership through a variety of experiences that include career exploration, academic enrichment, mentorship, service learning, and faith formation.

Our 2021 Summer Workshop schedule will host a diversity of hands-on learning experiences that offer participants the opportunity to learn and practice a leadership and growth mindset.

STEPS TO APPLY:

- Parent and student should review our program **schedule** and requirements.
*Due to our limited capacity, we ask that you carefully consider our **program contract**, expectations, and **COVID safety protocol**. We are intentionally looking for students that are willing to give their best effort, show respect, be 100% committed, and progress toward a growth and servant leadership mindset.*
- Student must complete and submit **leadership questionnaire** along with his/her most recent grade report.
- Contact Program Director **ASAP** to set-up either an in-person or virtual interview via Zoom (see contact info below)
Both parent and student are expected to participate in the interview as we see this communication and connection as a critical part of the equation in partnering with you toward the personal development of your child.

HIGHLIGHTED DOCUMENTS FOUND BELOW

If you are up for the challenge, we would look forward to the privilege to support your pursuit of personal, leadership, and spiritual growth. Contact me by phone or email with any questions and/or to schedule an interview. Start your leadership adventure with Urban University.

For the latest on what our student leaders are up to, like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram @uueriepa

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rose Marie Lackey".

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2021 Summer Workshops Schedule:

STUDENT WORKSHOPS:

June 14-18 MUSIC & TECHNOLOGY (in collaboration with Wabtec Engineers)

Create digital instruments, develop new sounds, and grow in modern technology skills as we explore traditional and digital music. Hands-on experiences will also include Arduino microcontrollers, 3D printers, programming, basic circuits and more.

Time: Parent Drop-Off: 8:45AM/Parent Pick-Up: 1:00PM at Erie City Mission – 1017 French Street

Location: ECM Youth Classroom – 1017 French Street

Cost: \$20.00

June 21-25 CERAMICS & POTTERY (in collaboration with Erie ClaySpace)

Build your pottery skills through hand building, wheel throwing, trimming, and glazing as you learn this creative art process and form unique pieces.

Time: Parent Drop-Off: 8:45AM/Parent Pick-Up: 1:00PM at Erie ClaySpace – 1505 State Street

Location: Erie ClaySpace – 1505 State Street

Cost: \$30.00

June 28-July 2 UU CAFÉ (in collaboration with Gannon University)

Experience what it is like to be a restaurant manager and work in the food service industry as you learn menu planning, inventory, hospitality, and cooking. Students will host a special lunch meal on Friday for their invited guests.

Time: Parent Drop-Off: 8:45AM/Parent Pick-Up: 1:00PM at Gannon University – Site TBA

Location: Gannon University

Cost: \$30.00

July 5-9 STAINED GLASS ART

Learn this ancient craft along with mosaic design to create dazzling artwork using techniques such as soldering, foiling, grouting, and glazing.

Workshop Time: Parent Drop-Off: 8:45AM/Parent Pick-Up: 1:00PM at Erie City Mission – 1017 French Street

Workshop Location: ECM Youth Classroom – 1017 French Street

Workshop Cost: \$30.00

JULY 12-16 JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY (in collaboration with PA State Police)

Discover the many different aspects of law enforcement, including Crime Scene Investigation, K-9, Swat, Drug Enforcement, Simulations, Physical Training, Teamwork and Leadership

Time: Parent Drop-Off: 8:30AM/Parent Pick-Up: 1:00PM at Erie City Mission – 1017 French Street

Locations: ECM Youth Classroom, Lawrence Park and Meadville State Police Stations/Students transported to off-site locations by van transport

Cost: \$20.00

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****To establish a culture of excellence in leadership,
the following highlighted workshops have a prerequisite to participate in at least 2 of the first 5 workshops offered.***

July 12-16 INTRO TO MARTIAL ARTS (in collaboration with TKO/Trinity Karate Organization)

You will be introduced to various forms of martial arts to begin or excel on a journey of confidence, focus, determination, and self-discipline.

Time: Parent Drop-Off: 3:30PM/Parent Pick-Up: 5:00PM at TKO – 421 West 12th Street

Location: Trinity Karate Organization

Workshop Cost: \$10.00

July 19-23 OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP (in collaboration with Asbury Woods Nature Center)

You will be challenged with a variety of outdoor, team building, and leadership experiences that will include low ropes, hiking, cycling, overnight camping and much more. It is necessary for participants to have a level of physical ability and endurance.

Time: Parent Drop-Off: 8:30AM/Parent Pick-Up: 3:00PM at Erie City Mission – 1017 French Street

Locations: Asbury Woods Nature Center, Cuyahoga National Park, Avonia Beach Park/Students transported to off-site locations by van transport

Cost: \$20.00

July 26-30 HORSEMANSHIP (in collaboration with Blended Spirits Ranch)

You will be challenged through various obstacles and exercises to better understand yourself and others as you learn to care for, communicate with, build a trust-based relationship with, and ride a horse.

Workshop Time: Parent Drop-Off: 8:30AM/Parent Pick-Up: 2:00PM at Erie City Mission – 1017 French Street

Workshop Locations: Blended Spirits Ranch/Students transported to off-site locations by van transport

Workshop Cost: \$30.00

- Each workshop accepts between 6-10 students and will host a 1:2 adult mentor to student ratio
- Workshops include a nutritious meal
- Specific dress for various courses may be required, otherwise you may refer to the UU Dress Code in our Program Contract
- All courses will require homework either some or all days of the week
- Scholarships are considered upon request

#COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR FAMILIES: See Specific Program Flyers for these events

GROW GETTERS GARDENING WORKSHOPS (in collaboration with Wild Field Urban Farm)

Grow together as a family around this age-old past time and discover the many benefits of simple gardening.

MOVIE WITH A MESSAGE SERIES

This year-long series connects monthly as we watch a movie and come together to discuss its content and what we can learn from it.



Program Contract

OUR MISSION:

The 'Erie City Mission' Youth Ministries seeks to intentionally develop emerging student leaders.

YOUR COMMITMENT:

In understanding our mission and that program spots are limited, students will be expected to make a commitment to fully attend and complete each **workshop or course** that they are accepted into, with responsibility, enthusiasm, and 100% effort. Therefore, parents and students should carefully consider these expectations before signing this contract.

We (Parent and Student) understand these EXPECTATIONS:

1. Participation is non-negotiable; I am expected to always give my best, practice teamwork, and complete assignments.
2. Be open to challenge; I am expected to grow, try new things and exhibit a positive attitude.
3. Respect: I am expected to respect my leaders, my peers, and the property and materials I have the privilege to use.
4. Language: I am expected to use appropriate and encouraging language to build others up and not tear them down.
5. God's Name: I will do my best to remember to not use the Lord's name in any way that brings dishonor to him.
6. Cell Phones: I understand that cell phones or other media devices are not permitted to be used during program hours, unless a leader allows for an educational purpose or experience. Phones will be collected upon arrival to the program and redistributed upon dismissal; this may also include special excursions and events.
7. If I do not understand a UU policy or decision, I have the responsibility to share my question or concern to the staff.
8. Travel: I understand the importance of appropriate and respectful travel protocol that includes; proper use of a seatbelt, if cell phone or media device usage are permitted, it will be with headphones only, demonstrating appropriate voice/noise levels and keeping my hands to myself.
9. Dress Code: I understand the expected dress code is neat and modest (no tank tops or camisoles, no pants below waist-line, shorts must be at least fingertip length, no undergarments should be visible, and closed toed shoes are required)
10. Due to the investment of financial resources by donors and time by staff and volunteer mentors, I understand that I am committing to 100% attendance, effort and practicing a growth mindset. I also understand that I am expected to communicate in advance if my student is sick or not able to attend the UU program.

We (Parent and Student) also understand if these expectations are not followed, or any of the following conduct occurs, it may result in consequence or immediate dismissal from the Urban University program.

1. A behavior that threatens any person's right to feel and be safe.
2. A behavior that includes inappropriate touching of a person's body, and/or using disrespectful or sexual language, inferences, or actions.
3. Any behavior involving purposeful destruction of property or theft.
4. Choices that involve use of vaping, smoking, drugs or
5. Disrespect or refusing to follow directions of Urban University staff. alcohol.

YOUR GOALS:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

We (Parent and Student) acknowledge that we have carefully read and considered what is expected in having the privilege to participate in Urban University and commit to giving our best to get the most from this opportunity.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature(s): _____ **Date:** ___/___/___



2021 Summer Workshops Leadership Questionnaire

INSTRUCTIONS: Copy and paste applicable questions into the body of an email to complete and send back to rmlackey@erocitymission.org along with picture or scanned copy of your most recent grade report prior to scheduling your interview.

The effort you put into answering these questions will be considered in our selection of students.

- 1) **RETURNING STUDENT:** Please describe 3 ways you are applying leadership principles in your daily life. Give examples.
FIRST-TIME STUDENT: What is your personal definition of “leadership”? Describe two people in your life that you identify as leaders and why?
- 2) **RETURNING STUDENT:** What is the one area that you recognize you continue to struggle with most in growing as a leader? Why?
FIRST-TIME STUDENT: Would you describe yourself as “teachable”? Why or why not?
Teachable – Able and willing to learn
- 3) **RETURNING STUDENT:** What are your goals in applying for Urban University this session? What are 3 strategies you will put into action to accomplish them?
FIRST-TIME STUDENT: List your top 3 strengths and 3 areas you recognize you need to improve or work on.
- 4) **RETURNING STUDENT:** What is one daily leadership practice you have implemented or can implement to stay focused on **your theme word** for the year?
FIRST-TIME STUDENT: If you were to pick 1 word that would be **your theme word** for the year ahead, what would that be and Why?
- 5) **RETURNING STUDENT:** Identify a significant moment for you in Urban University this past semester and share why you chose it.
FIRST-TIME STUDENTS: After reviewing the Commitment Contract, identify 3 points that you agree are important and Why?
- 6) **RETURNING AND FIRST-TIME STUDENT:** List the workshops you would like to be considered for in order of your preference (1 being most preferred) and tell us the reason you are applying for each.