



# Diaconal

## FORMATION PROGRAM

A two-year course of studies

*Now being offered in Philadelphia at St Stephen's Cathedral for the 2015–2016 Academic Year*

### **NOT JUST EDUCATION, BUT FORMATION**

Through serving in the altar, singing in the choir, and studying Scripture, Church History, Liturgics and Spirituality, St Tikhon's Diaconal Formation program immerses students in the life of the Orthodox Church.

### **COURSE SCHEDULE**

The Diaconal Formation program meets every Saturday from September to December (*Fall Semester*) and January to May (*Spring Semester*). Each meeting begins with Liturgy and ends with Vepers. Breakfast, lunch and two 3-hour classes are included in the schedule.

### **COMPLETION OUTCOME**

Completion of the course of studies fulfills the necessary *academic* requirements for ordination to the Holy Diaconate. In accordance with Canon Law, all decisions regarding ordination rest with the diocesan hierarch.

### **COMPLETION AWARD**

Upon completion of the course, the student will be awarded the Certificate of Diaconal Formation.

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

With the blessing of your parish priest, contact Father Victor Gorodenchuk at [dean@ststephenscathedral.org](mailto:dean@ststephenscathedral.org).

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