



De La Salle University • College of Computer Studies

**FORMDEV
Formation and Development**

**Syllabus
AY 2009-10**

Course Description:

More than 300 years ago in France, a man in his early thirties decided to give up all wealth and ambition to lead a band of poor and unskilled men in the religious and practical education of the children of the poor. Today, the quality schools run by the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools that this man founded are in 85 countries. That man was St. John Baptist de la Salle, and this course is an introduction to his life and to the Lasallian and Gospel values of faith, zeal, and love, especially for one's community and for the poor.

Course Objectives:

By the end of the course, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate basic knowledge about the life of St. La Salle and the Lasallian values;
2. Articulate their personal definition of being a Christian and a Lasallian; and
3. Relate the life and values of St. La Salle to the life of Jesus Christ and the values of God's Kingdom, and to their own lives and values.

Course Outline and Schedule:

- Session 1-2: Orientation, Self-Introductions
- 3: Chapter 1*: The Preparatory Years
- 4: Chapter 2*: Beginnings in Reims
- 5: Chapter 3*: Beginnings in Paris
- 6: Chapter 4*: Crises in Paris
- 7: Chapter 5*: Beginnings in Rouen
- 8: Chapter 6*: Dark Night of the Soul
- 9: Chapter 7*: The Last Years
- 10: Chapter 8*: Enduring Legacy
- 11: Meeting with a La Salle Brother**
- 12: Outreach Processing (Poverty and the Lasallian values)**
- 13: Assessment and Integration

*Chapters are from the FORMDEV workbook, *Domine opus tuum*, by Dr. Raymund Sison.

**The session with a La Salle Brother and the session on outreach/poverty are movable.

Course Requirements:

To get a grade of "Pass", a student needs to earn 27 points through the following:

- Class participation (maximum of 13 points)
- Workbook assignments (maximum of 8 points)
- Assessment (maximum of 4 points)
- Outreach participation (maximum of 5 points)

Students who lose their workbook will lose 2 points.

"I will continue, O my God, to do all my actions for the love of you."