

Sample Costs and FAQ – The Urban Ministry Institute

Sample Costs:

| Description | Start-up | Annual |
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| Initial site license fee is \$1,500, but will be waived once the <i>Multiplying Laborers for the Urban Harvest</i> guidebook is purchased for \$50 | \$50 | |
| Annual site license renewal fee , due January of each year | | \$250 |
| Capstone curriculum 16 modules (each module includes: 1 Mentor Guide, 2 DVD set teaching and 1 Student Workbook); valued at \$12,038. If grant funds are available, satellite pays only \$500 | \$500 | |
| Student Workbooks (i.e. 10 students taking four modules/year at \$25 per workbook. Add for shipping; this cost may be passed on to the student. | | \$1,000 |
| Required Textbooks vary for each course and the cost depends on how you choose to supply books. You may want each student to own their own books at an average of \$35 per module (example is based on 10 students at four modules/year); this cost may be passed on to the student. | | \$1,400 |
| Classroom equipment (i.e., tables, chairs, DVD player) Computer (should be able to run Microsoft Excel, or use open source software equivalent for student transcripts) | Already owned | |
| Overhead (i.e., copies, utilities, snacks, office supplies, rent); these costs will vary based on your available resources | Varied | Varied |
| Total: | \$550 | \$2,650 |
| Cost per student per module (estimated): Annual costs can be divided by number of students and by the amount of modules, then paid for by students as tuition (\$2,650/40) | | \$66.25 |

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Frequently Asked Questions:

1. How long is each class?

Each of the 16 module courses requires about 12-16 hours of classroom time, so there is flexibility in how to schedule classes. However, the most common format is a weekly two hour class that meets for eight weeks. Some have chosen a four-week, three-hour session, and others have opted for a weekend intensive on Friday night and all day Saturday.

2. What else is required beyond classroom time?

Each course requires the following:

- a. A five-page exegetical project Study for three short quizzes
- b. Approximately 60 pages of textbook reading per week
- c. A five-page exegetical project
- d. A ministry project, where the student applies what is learned in a real-life ministry application
- e. Memorization of three short Bible passages
- f. Study for a take-home final exam

3. How many hours per course should be set aside for study outside of class?

For each course, students should plan to spend 60 hours in study outside of class including: reading (or listening to texts), memorizing, and completion of their projects. Over an eight-week class, that would be about six to eight hours per week.

4. How many years will it take to complete the training and earn a certificate?

This depends on how many classes you offer every year. Most satellites offer four classes per year, on the quarter system. This would mean it would take a student four years to complete and earn a certificate. However, if you offer eight courses per year, a student can finish in two years.

5. What if we want to offer our own classes, in addition to what Capstone provides?

You can submit your own Certificate design, using a combination of your own classes along with TUMI courses, as long as it meets certain provisions.

6. About how many hours per week does it take to be a Site Coordinator?

For a site with 10-15 students, it takes 10-15 hours per week to start up a site, and 5-10 hours weekly to maintain a site, provided you are not mentoring a class. If you have more students, or you are also mentoring a class, it will require more of your time.

7. Is TUMI accredited?

If we were to seek accreditation, we would be forced to raise the admission requirements so high that we would eliminate most of our students. Therefore, even though the material has been recognized as worthy of accreditation, we have chosen not to seek it. However, for students who want college credit, we have several accredited partners (posted at www.tumi.org) who will recognize the Capstone curriculum for transfer credit, provided the student passes the institution's admission standards.