

**SSLP Theological Theme Essay
(One option for the final paper)
Due August 22, 2011**

Cover Page:

Please attach a page on the front of your paper with the following facts about your project: your name, project site, alumni club sponsor, dates of your SSLP, a three-sentence description of the project, a description of your tasks and duties, a summary of your interaction with the staff, and a summary of your interaction with alumni and alumnae.

Objective: To integrate insights from your SSLP experience with a theological theme or question from the course readings.

This should be an original paper, not a copy of what you have already written in your journal. You may quote your journal, or tell one story that you have written about in your journal but it should be limited to two paragraphs.

Format: Choose a theological theme or question that arises from your SSLP experience and is addressed in the readings of the course.

A. Introduction – Introduce the reader to the setting and relationships of your SSLP and how the theological theme or question arises from your experience. Examples of theological questions or themes are: What is the role of displacement in Christian service? In what ways did you discover God in relationships? Relate dimensions the Catholic social teaching principle of stewardship to your SSLP experience. **(1 - 2 pages)**

B. Theological Reflection – Develop the body of the paper in a way that clearly responds to your question or theme. Integrate at least **four quotations** from the readings into the paper, quotations that lead you to further insight or those with which you disagree. Note the author and the page number for the quotations. Continue to refer to your SSLP experience in reference to the quotations. **(4 pages).**

C. Conclusion – Reflect on your overall learning from the SSLP, the course reading and discussions with your site supervisors and/or alumni club during the summer. What questions remain for you? **(1 page)**

The paper should be 6-7 pages, typed and double spaced. Please number your pages. Be attentive to style, structure, punctuation, as well as content.

Confidentiality:

Be sure to change the names of the people you write about for confidentiality reasons. Your paper needs to be written with the perspective that you will send a copy to your Alumni Contact Person, your Site Supervisor and special donors, if applicable.

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