



## SECULAR FRANCISCAN CONFERENCE

*The Development of the Franciscan Person*

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One of the stories about St. Francis of Assisi relates how a brother watched the saint in prayer, and heard him pray the words, "Who are you, Lord, and who am I?" These two questions are fundamental to the Christian life and the Franciscan vocation.

This course will explore how we come to our Franciscan identity, and how we develop as a Franciscan person. Using Franciscan sources, the Secular Franciscan rule, and contemporary psychology, we will discuss the stages of spiritual transformation and the fundamentals of Franciscan spirituality.

We will focus our attention on two books, Jacques Dalarun's "The Canticle of the Creatures: Francis of Assisi Reconciled" (2016), and David B. Couturier's "The Four Conversions: A Spirituality of Transformation" (2017), both from **Franciscan Institute Publications**.

**ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS FEB. 1, 2017.**

**A LINK TO THE FORM WILL BE POSTED AT THAT TIME.**

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