



Position Description: Director of Language Acquisition

The Superior General and General Council appoint the Director of Language Acquisition. The Director of Language Acquisition reports directly to the General Council.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Director will oversee the Basilian Language Acquisition Program which will facilitate scholastics and recently ordained Basilians living in a Basilian house in another country in order to increase their proficiency in Spanish or English.
2. To coordinate with the Formation Committees in each country which Basilians will be studying Spanish or English in another country and for what period of time.
3. To maintain an ongoing list of language schools, personal tutors and programs that are proximate to Basilian houses and to coordinate with the local Basilian superior appropriate ministries when applicable.
4. To support the language acquisition and cultural assimilation of participants by listening and providing feedback to their experiences, frustrations and successes.
5. To evaluate and monitor the effectiveness of the language school, tutor, participant, Basilian house and ministry after every program is completed.

EXPERIENCES, SKILLS AND STYLES REQUIRED

1. An appreciation for and experiences of Basilian life and ministry.
2. Commitment to prayer and personal on-going formation and professional development.
3. Spoken and written capabilities in both English and Spanish.
4. An empathy for the challenges faced in learning a language and living in another culture.
5. Ability to maintain a database of preferred language programs and tutors.