



**This study of UCC History and Polity satisfies requirements of the Associations of the Illinois Conference.**

**This course will explore the history, polity and theology of the United Church of Christ. As a result of this course, students will be faithful, critical and enthusiastic interpreters of the United Church of Christ, more fully equipped to provide authorized leadership in its congregations and ministries.**

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$500.00**

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DEADLINE:  
February 22, 2010**

## **LOCATION and DIRECTIONS**

### **Pilgrim Park Camp and Conference Center**

**Pilgrim Park is located in north central Illinois, approximately 2 hours southwest of Chicago, 1 hour east of Moline and 1 hour north of Peoria.**

**Located just south of Interstate 80 it can be reached from either Highway 6 or Highway 29. For a map and further directions: [www.il-odm.org](http://www.il-odm.org)  
Click on Pilgrim Park**

**Pilgrim Park provides on site accommodations.**

**For further information:**

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**Facilitators and Coordinator are members of the UCC Network of Teachers of History and Polity.**

# **HISTORY AND POLITY OF THE UCC**



**MARCH 5 – 6, 2010  
APRIL 9 - 10, 2010  
MAY 7 - 8, 2010**

**PILGRIM PARK CAMP  
AND CONFERENCE CENTER**

**All Friday Sessions: 7:00 – 9:30 P.M.  
All Saturday Sessions: 8:00-Noon and  
1:00-4:00 P.M.**

## Course Outline –

**First Weekend: The Congregational and Reformed Traditions/Christian and Evangelical Traditions**

**Second Weekend: Identifying Themes in the UCC: Mission, Justice, Ecumenism, Diversity, etc; Ministry and Nature of Leadership/Issues of Boundaries and Accountability**

**Third Weekend: Nature/Structure of the Church; Foundations: What we Believe and How we Believe**

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- **A copy of the syllabus will be provided upon registration.**
- **Advanced reading is required.**
- **You must attend all three sessions.**
- **Scholarship assistance – Contact your judicatory.**

## **FACILITATORS**

**Facilitators for this course are:**

**Rev. Dr. Lowell H. Zuck, Professor of History Emeritus, Co-Editor of Vol. 4 “The Living Theological Heritage of the UCC” and Senior Research Consultant for the Archives at Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, MO**

**Rev. Dr. Melbalenia Evans, Spiritual Care Coordinator, Odyssey Healthcare; Adjunct Professor at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston and Chicago Theological Seminary.**

**Rev. Bob Meissner, retired former Prairie Association Minister with graduate degrees from Eden and Lancaster Theological Seminaries;**

**Rev. Bob Sandman, retired former Associate Conference Minister, graduate of Union Theological Seminary.**

**Coordinator – Rev. David Kniker, Retired Intentional Interim Minister**

ILLINOIS CONFERENCE HISTORY AND POLITY COURSE

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Please note any dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my fee payment of \$500.00 (includes meals and accommodations)

Make checks payable to: Illinois Conference UCC History & Polity

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