# Catholic Higher Education Institutions: Trustee Orientation



In partnership with the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities (ACCU), AGB has created this short course for board members of Catholic higher education institutions. It complements AGB's full orientation program for board members, ACCU resources, and your institution's own board orientation efforts, and is available to all AGB members as part of membership. A digital certificate and badge are conveyed upon course completion.



## Program Overview: Introduction to Trusteeship in Catholic Higher Education

LESSON 1

### **Governance in Catholic Higher Education**

- » Differences in Governance between Catholic and Other Higher Education Institutions
- » Their Founding
- » Two Bodies of Law
- » Ministry of the Catholic Church

#### LESSON 2

## **Shared Governance in Catholic Higher Education**

- » What is Shared Governance in Catholic Higher Education?
- » Why Shared Governance?
- » The Governance Role and Structures of the Sponsoring Religious Congregation
- » The Role of the Diocesan Bishop
- » Shifting Arrangements
- » Some Suggested Practices for Effective Shared Governance

This self-paced online program is a valuable tool to help your trustees acclimate to their board role at your Catholic institution. Participants will learn the fundamentals of trusteeship at a Catholic higher education institution, including working with a bishop or sponsoring congregation, understanding the two bodies of law, and how shared governance differs at a Catholic institution.

Board member orientation courses are included with AGB membership. Contact **concierge@AGB.org** with questions.

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