The National Association of Youth Ministry Certification exists to train and equip Christian youth workers in a variety of capacities. Our initial offering is certification as a youth ministry coach. In partnership with The Youth Cartel, the NAYMC is providing training and certification for all the 1on1 coaches utilized by The Youth Cartel in their Youth Ministry Coaching Program, as well as 1on1 coaching contracts. But NAYMC certification will no longer be limited to those contexts. This program is ideal for at least three kinds of youth ministry leaders:

- Individual youth workers with a desire to increase their capacity for coaching other youth workers, either voluntarily, or as a side business.
- The youth ministry point-person who oversees other paid staff and wants to increase their effectiveness in helping their team grow.
- Denominational and organizational leaders involved in coaching, mentoring and developing youth workers.
COACHING CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Coaching is different than training, counseling, or mentoring. Coaching very specifically involves one person intentionally helping another person chart a course toward their preferred future. Serving as coach is a privilege that requires a critical mix of skills, experience, and self-awareness to serve as a guide for another person. NAYMC’s Coaching Certification Program offers a 4-month process that will prepare you to serve as an effective coach, specifically for other youth workers. This program will challenge, equip, and prepare you for what’s next.

Our program centers around a three-day intensive group training seminar. In advance, qualified participants will prep with some assigned reading and a series of assessments. The three-day in-person training will guide you through a process of developing your specific set of coaching skills and techniques. And the final three months will include a series of follow up calls and supervised coaching work that will help you implement your personal coaching skill set into your ministry, and provide support as you explore what coaching might mean for your ministry and vocation.

COSTS AND NEXT STEPS

Our first Certification training is planned for October 2 - 4, 2019, in Pittsburgh. The location is very close to the Pittsburgh airport. Accommodations are on your own, but there are plenty of hotels in the area.

The program fee for NAYMC’s Coaching Certification is $2750, including everything in the 4-month program. We can be flexible with payment plans, including payments taking place over two budget years.

The application process starts by filling out the application at ymcert.com/apply

After submitting an application, someone from our team will be in contact about setting up a 30-minute phone call as the final step in the application process.