

UTAH MINISTRY FORMATION PROGRAM

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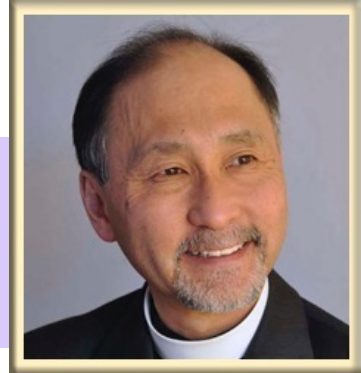


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Dear Friends in Christ,

In 2004, when the newly formed Diocesan Council undertook to formulate a five year plan for the mission and ministry of the diocese, the top priority named was Education and Spiritual Direction. The Utah Ministry Formation Program became the expression of the diocesan response to the directive when the Rev. Cn. Mary June Nestler joined the diocesan staff in 2006. Drawing on her experience as the dean and president of the Episcopal Theological School at Claremont, Canon Nestler designed the UMFP, recruited staff and students, and opened the doors in August 2007. Six years later, the program attracts students from our Diocese as well as the the Dioceses of Idaho and Eastern Oregon. Its format is particularly useful for those seeking ordination but for whom a full-time residential program is impractical. Others wishing to increase their knowledge and understanding of the Episcopal Church or enhance their lay ministries are also welcome.

Thank you for your interest in the program. We welcome the opportunity to answer any further questions you may have.

Faithfully,

+Scott B. Hayashi

The Right Reverend Scott B. Hayashi
11th Bishop of Utah

Utah Ministry Formation Program

General Information

The Utah Ministry Formation Program (UMFP) was founded in 2007 by the Diocese of Utah for the training of persons from Utah and other Intermountain West dioceses preparing for ordination to the diaconate and priesthood in the Episcopal Church who do not attend residential seminary or who may wish to continue their work at a residential seminary after the UMFP.

It is also open to lay persons who desire to strengthen their ministries or to use the UMFP to assist them in discerning their path in ministry and to lay persons seeking to be licensed by a bishop for specialized ministries under Canon III.4 ("Of licensed ministries"), such as preacher, eucharistic minister, catechist, etc.

The UMFP is not an institution, but a program. It does not award degrees, nor are any classes transferable to academic institutions for academic credit. Students may be admitted to the program without having completed a bachelor's degree.



The Setting

The Utah Ministry Formation program meets at the Episcopal Church Center of Utah in Salt Lake City. Completed in January, 2008, the ECCU houses Diocese of Utah offices, the Wasatch Retreat



and Conference Center, classroom/media rooms and a chapel. The Cathedral Church of St. Mark is next door, linked to the ECCU by a common courtyard with an outdoor labyrinth.

Students stay overnight in bedrooms of the retreat center. Meals are prepared onsite by the Center's health-conscious chef, and coffee, tea and snacks are

provided throughout the teaching weekends.

Classes are held in rooms fully equipped with the latest electronic technologies, providing Wi-Fi access and projection.

The ECCU is located in downtown Salt Lake City, with easy freeway access as well as proximity to public transportation, including the TRAX light rail system. Students have the opportunity to experience life and ministry in a rapidly changing urban setting.



Past UMFP students have visited Episcopal, Greek Orthodox, and Roman Catholic churches for worship and learning, and have enjoyed an occasional meal out at an area restaurant.

Teaching Weekends

The UMFP meets ten times each year from August through May for a three-day weekend. The dates for each year are irregular. See dates for 2014-2016 on the schedules in this brochure.

Students who undertake the full program (including all in process for ordination) arrive by 6:00 p.m. on Fridays and are dismissed at noon on Sundays. Persons enrolled in fewer classes may come and go for their classes, Signing up for meals and participating in worship and other activities as they wish.



Students in residence for the three day weekends live in close community. They engage in a full round of worship and take all meals together. Classes, field trips and other times for quiet or fellowship round out the schedule.

Weekends can be busy at the ECCU. There are often other groups meeting or staying in the building while the UMFP is in session, giving students the opportunity to interact with diocesan and community leaders and others.

Travel to the Episcopal Church Center of Utah

The ECCU is easily reached by car or by air or by the UTA/ Trax/Front Runner public transportation system. Interstate 15 is two miles to the west. There is free parking in the ECCU lot.

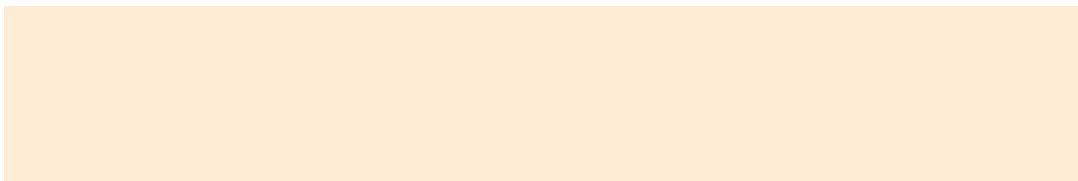
The Salt Lake City International Airport is about 8 miles away, with easy transfers into the city by cab, car or public transportation. See www.slairport.com or www.rideuta.com for more information. Salt Lake is the western hub of Delta Airlines, which schedules frequent service from the cities and towns of the Intermountain West. Other major airlines fly into SLC as well.

Current and former students have come from Eastern Oregon, several Idaho locations, Cedar City and Ogden, Utah, and Page, Arizona. All are welcome!

Overnight Accommodations and Meals



Students stay in the rooms of the Wasatch Retreat and Conference Center at the ECCU. Some rooms have queen beds, while most have two twin beds. Some have private baths, some share a bath with the room next door. Students may elect to share a room, reducing each student's cost. Private baths are often possible for each student but cannot be guaranteed because of the need to accommodate other guests.





All rooms have sinks (in addition to the bathroom sink), bed with linens, towels, bookshelves, reading lamps, overhead lights, and clocks. A computer and printer are available for public use in the retreat center. Keys are issued, which open the room and the exterior ECCU door.

The ECCU is fully accessible for persons with disabilities. A room with a private bath outfitted for disabled persons is available, and all areas of the building and parking lot are accessible by elevator or ramp.

Students have the use of a fully-equipped kitchen during their stay. Breakfasts are made by the students; other meals are catered by ECCU event staff. Special dietary requests can be easily accommodated by the chef.

Community Worship

The UMFP community gathers for worship each day. Morning and Evening Prayer are said, and the Holy Eucharist is celebrated once each weekend. Students plan and lead worship under the supervision of the Director, and students who have taken the homiletics course preach. The *Book of Common Prayer* and other authorized forms of worship are used, as well as occasional experimental rites with permission of the bishop.

The ECCU meditation chapel provides the setting for most UMFP worship. The community may attend worship at the Cathedral Church of St. Mark next door or other area churches from time to time.

The aim of UMFP worship is to glorify God, to ground the community in prayer, to provide experiences in ecumenical contexts and to give students practice and evaluation in planning and leading worship as it may be conducted in the congregations of the Diocese of Utah and elsewhere.



Who May Attend the UMFP?

The goal of the Utah Ministry Formation Program is to provide academic instruction, along with other formation, to prepare lay and ordained persons for ministry. It aims to teach at the level of graduate theological education, but does not duplicate the breadth of of a divinity degree.

Students may be of several kinds:

1. Persons preparing for the diaconate take the two-year foundational program. They attend all classes, are in residence the entire teaching weekend, and submit all required work.
2. Postulants and candidates for the priesthood take the two-year program plus a third year with special work in Anglican Studies and other directed studies designed for each student. They attend all classes, are in residence the the entire weekend and submit all required work.

Candidates for priesthood are encouraged to undertake other studies, such as online coursework, seminars and conferences, as may be recommended or required. Candidates for the priesthood are always encouraged to attend residential for a year or more if possible and as their diocese may require.

3. Persons already ordained may wish to use the UMFP for continuing education. The advanced course in Anglican Studies on Saturdays has been designed to allow time for ordained students to return home for Sunday duties
4. Persons preparing for licensed ministries under Canon III.4 will enroll in classes and participate in community life in specific areas of study as may be designed by the Director, with the approval of the student's bishop.
5. Lay persons may strengthen their ministries or further discern their vocations by electing to take one or more classes, submit all work or not (if the latter, they are auditors), and be in residence or not for the teaching weekends.



Applying to the Utah Ministry Formation Program

Persons of any denomination are welcome to apply to the UMFP.

Postulants and candidates for the the diaconate or the priesthood in the Episcopal Diocese of Utah do not need to make application to the UMFP. Inform the Director by e-mail of intent to attend:

mjnestler@episcopal-ut.org.

All other persons, whether preparing for ordained ministries in Episcopal dioceses other than Utah, for licensed or lay ministries, or for personal enrichment, must submit an application.

Please

e-mail mjnestler@episcopal-ut.org and the application will be e-mailed to you.

Applications are requested by August 1.

All prospective students are strongly encouraged to discuss their plans for attending the UMFP with their primary pastors. This is particularly important for any person who is contemplating pursuing ordained ministry at a future time, but who has not yet entered the canonical ordination process.

Persons who wish to pursue studies for licensed ministry under Canon III.4 must have the approval of their cleric-in-charge and the the bishop of their diocese.

Ordinands of any diocese are required to have their bishop's approval before attending the UMFP. The ordinand should also have a clear understanding of what part the UMFP will take in the ordinand's path toward ordained ministry and whether the diocese will require any additional work before ordination.

The Faculty

The Reverend Canon Mary June Nestler, Director of the UMFP, is Canon for Ministry Formation in the Episcopal Diocese of Utah. From 1992-2006, she was Dean and President of The Episcopal Theological School at Claremont, California, and Adjunct Professor of Church History and Homiletics at Claremont School of Theology.

Ordained in 1979, she has served many congregations as priest in charge, assistant and scholar in residence. Canon Nestler has supervised archaeological excavations at Sepphoris, Wadi es Siah and Capernaum, all in Galilee. She is a frequent keynote speaker,



preacher and teacher at conferences across the country. She appears often on camera and in print media. Canon Nestler is an Episcopal Foundation Fellow.

<i>C. Phil.</i>	<i>University of California, Los Angeles (History)</i>
<i>M.Div</i>	<i>General Theological Seminary, New York City</i>
<i>M.A.</i>	<i>The Ecumenical Institute of Theology, St. Mary's Seminary and University, Baltimore</i>
<i>B.Mus.</i>	<i>The Curtis Institute of Music, Philadelphia</i>
<i>Diploma</i>	<i>The Curtis Institute of Music, Philadelphia</i>

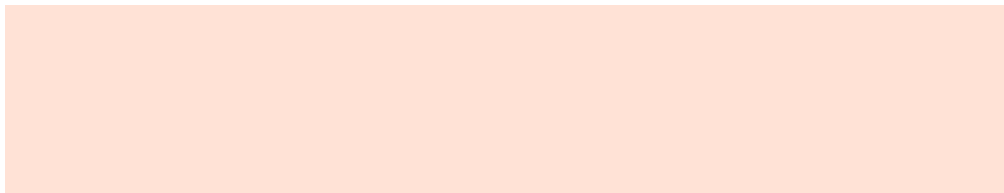


The Reverend Dr. James Wakefield is associate pastor at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (LCMC) in Sandy, Utah. He has taught at both the University of Utah and at Westminster College in Salt Lake City. He assisted in the founding of the Salt Lake Theological Seminary in 1984 and taught there for many years as Associate Professor of Biblical and Spiritual Theology. His books include *Jurgen Moltmann: A Research Bibliography* (2002) and *Sacred Listening: Discovering the Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius Loyola* (2006).

<i>Ph.D</i>	<i>Marquette University (Theology)</i>
<i>M.Th.</i>	<i>Bethel Seminary</i>
<i>B.S.</i>	<i>University of Utah (Psychology)</i>
<i>B.A.</i>	<i>University of Southern California (World Religion)</i>

Dr. Mark S. LeTourneau has been a professor of English at Weber State University in Utah since 1987 and a member of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Ogden since 1988. In 1989-90, he taught at the University of Khartoum in the Sudan as a Fulbright Scholar. He is a licensed lay preacher. His churchly intellectual interests include biblical languages, the Reformation, Anglican studies and systematic theology. His most recent diocesan teaching was on the works of Richard Hooker. His publications include the books *English Grammar* (2000) and *Explaining Levels of Language: From Sentence to Text* (2007).

<i>Ph.D</i>	<i>Purdue University (English Linguistics)</i>
<i>M.A.</i>	<i>Purdue University</i>
<i>B.A.</i>	<i>University of Vermont</i>



Corethia Qualls, Ph.D., has been a Secular member of the Carmelite Order for 25 years. As adjunct associate professor for the Osher Institute at the University of Utah, she teaches courses in ancient history and culture, including religion. She is also co-consultant for the publication of the excavations at Wadi es Siah on Mount Carmel in Israel, site of the origin of the Carmelite order. She taught theology at Judge Memorial Catholic High School for 16 years and Spirituality for the UMFP in the 2010-2012 term.

<i>Ph.D</i>	<i>Columbia University, New York City (Art History and Archaeology of the Ancient Near East)</i>
<i>M.Phil</i>	<i>Columbia university, New York City (Art History and Archaeology of the Ancient Near East)</i>
<i>M.A.</i>	<i>Loyola University, New Orleans (Theology)</i>
<i>B.A.</i>	<i>Marlboro College, Marlboro (Ancient Ideas of the Afterlife)</i>



Electronic Learning

Because teaching weekends occur about a month apart, learning by electronic means is used in several UMFP courses, particularly in the core courses in Bible, history and theology.

Instructors may elect to use DVDs or CDs from The Teaching Company as part of the course material, making renowned professors in their fields available to UMFP students. Students view or listen to the lectures between class sessions as a supplement to in-class instruction. The CDs and DVDs may be borrowed from the program or purchased by the students.

The UMFP maintains a private website on pbworks.com. Each student is given password access to the UMFP site, where course syllabi, schedules, policies, announcements and other documents are posted.

Academic Evaluation

Students who complete all written and other classroom work receive grades, either letter grades or pass/fail, depending on the course. Grades are entered on a Report of studies, which is sent as requested to dioceses, academic institutions and scholarship providers. Auditing students will be issued a letter of attendance on request, provided attendance has been regular.

Episcopal canons require that postulants and candidates for ordination have regular reports from their program of education sent to their bishops. The UMFP director prepares these canonically required letters yearly, which are sent along with the student's Report of Studies. These letters include assessment of academic, vocational, spiritual and personal progress.

Program Costs and Policies

Tuition

Students taking all classes, submitting all work	\$1,200 per semester
Students taking all classes, auditing only	\$ 590 per semester
Audit Saturday morning-afternoon course	\$ 290 per semester
Audit Friday or Saturday evening or Sunday morning courses, per course	\$ 145 per semester

Tuition is refundable under the following conditions:

If the student withdraws before the 2nd teaching weekend - 80%

If the student withdraws before the 3rd teaching weekend - 50%

No refund after the 3rd teaching weekend

Accommodations at the ECCU

Share a two-bed room, per person	\$29.00 per night
Room for one person	\$48.00 per night

Room costs are charged for actual nights stayed. Advance reservations are required.

Meals

Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast, plus snacks	\$42.00 per weekend
Single breakfast	\$4.00
Single lunch	\$10.00
Single dinner	\$12.00

Meals for persons attending the entire program are not pro-rated per meal. The entire weekend's cost will be charged unless the student gives notice of absence by Tuesday noon prior to the teaching weekend. Students ordering individual meals should place orders by this time well, or indicate on their registration form that they would like to eat particular meals routinely.

Billing and Payments

Students are billed at registration on the first weekend of each semester the first weekend of each semester. Students may pay the bill in full on receipt, or elect to pay in four equal installments, due on the first day of class in August, then by the last day of September, October and November (fall semester) or on the first day of class in January, and



remaining payments by the end of February, March and April (spring semester).

Students who withdraw and qualify for tuition refunds will be refunded the percentage due of the entire semester's tuition cost, not the amount paid under the plan. Billing for unused accommodations or meals will be adjusted at semester's end.

Scholarships

Students are encouraged to seek scholarship assistance from their congregations, families, foundations and other sources. Scholarship sources should send checks payable to the Episcopal Diocese of Utah and marked with the student's name and UMFP Scholarship. Monies will be applied first to tuition, then to lodging and meals. In no case will funds be reimbursed to a student. Any unused funds will be returned to the source at the end of the academic year, or applied to the following year if the source gives permission.

The Schedule and Curriculum

The UMFP schedule is designed so that students can travel to Salt Lake City on Friday afternoons and depart for home Sunday afternoons. Students may come earlier than Friday and stay later than Sunday in the retreat wing of the ECCU. Requests for extra nights' accommodations should be made in advance.

The curriculum is designed to provide foundational studies in most of the traditional areas of theological study as outlined in the canons. The curriculum, however, is not comprehensive, and candidates for ordained ministry may find their dioceses require studies in addition to what the UMFP offers.

The two-year course of foundational studies repeats itself every other year. Students may join in the "off" year, but starting at the beginning is recommended.

The third year course, designed for priesthood candidates, is drafted for each student.

For Further Information

For further information about the Utah Ministry Foundation, or to request an application, contact:

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mjnestler@episcopal-ut.org (801) 322-4131, ext.361



SCHEDULE AND CURRICULUM

BEGINNING IN AUGUST 2014 AND EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS FOLLOWING

2014 FALL TEACHING WEEKENDS: AUGUST 22-24, SEPTEMBER 19-21,
OCTOBER 17-19, NOVEMBER 14-16, DECEMBER 12-14

DAYS	TIME	YEAR 1	ADVANCED COURSE (3RD YEAR)
FRIDAY	6:00 P.M.	GATHERING AND DINNER	
	6:30 P.M.	EVENING PRAYER	
	7:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.	CLASS: EARLY AND MEDIEVAL CHURCH HISTORY	
SATURDAY	7:45 A.M.	BREAKFAST	
	8:30 A.M.	MORNING PRAYER	
	9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.	CLASS: NEW TESTAMENT - THE WRITINGS OF PAUL	CLASS: THE ANGLICAN TRADITION: HISTORY, THEOLOGY, POLITY, PART 1 (CLASS ENDS AT 3:00 P.M.)
	12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.	LUNCH (BREAK IN CLASS)	LUNCH (BREAK IN CLASS)
	5:00 P.M.	EVENING PRAYER	
	5:30 P.M.	DINNER	
	6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.	CLASS: INTRODUCTION TO HOMILETICS, PART 1	
SUNDAY	7:45 A.M.	HOLY EUCHARIST (OR VISIT TO AREA CHURCH, TIME TBD)	
	8:30 A.M.	BREAKFAST	
	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.	CLASS: THE LIFE AND WORK OF DEACONS AND PRIESTS, PART 1	
	12:00 P.M.	DISMISSAL	

**BEGINNING IN JANUARY 2015 AND
ODD-NUMBERED YEARS FOLLOWING**

2015 SPRING TEACHING WEEKENDS: JANUARY 23-25, FEBRUARY 20-22,
MARCH 20-22, APRIL 17-19, MAY 15-17 (ALSO MAY 29-31 IF AN EARLIER
WEEKEND HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER)

DAYS	TIME	YEAR 1	ADVANCED COURSE (3RD YEAR)
FRIDAY	6:00 P.M.	GATHERING AND DINNER	
	6:30 P.M.	EVENING PRAYER	
	7:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.	CLASS: REFORMATION AND MODERN CHURCH HISTORY	
SATURDAY	7:45 A.M.	BREAKFAST	
	8:30 A.M.	MORNING PRAYER	
	9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.	CLASS: INTRODUCTION TO THEOLOGY	CLASS: THE ANGLICAN TRADITION: HISTORY, THEOLOGY, POLITY, PART 2 (CLASS ENDS AT 3:00 P.M.)
	12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.	LUNCH (BREAK IN CLASS)	LUNCH (BREAK IN CLASS)
	5:00 P.M.	EVENING PRAYER	
	5:30 P.M.	DINNER	
	6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.	CLASS: INTRODUCTION TO HOMILETICS, PART 2	
SUNDAY	7:45 A.M.	HOLY EUCHARIST (OR VISIT TO AREA CHURCH, TIME TBD)	
	8:30 A.M.	BREAKFAST	
	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.	CLASS: THE LIFE AND WORK OF DEACONS AND PRIESTS, PART 2	
	12:00 P.M.	DISMISSAL	

SCHEDULE AND CURRICULUM

BEGINNING IN AUGUST 2015 AND ODD-NUMBERED YEARS FOLLOWING

2015 TEACHING WEEKENDS: AUGUST 28-30, SEPTEMBER 18-20, OCTOBER
16-18, NOVEMBER 13-15, DECEMBER 11-13

DAYS	TIME	YEAR 1	ADVANCED COURSE (3RD YEAR)
FRIDAY	6:00 P.M.	GATHERING AND DINNER	
	6:30 P.M.	EVENING PRAYER	
	7:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.	CLASS: HISTORY OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER	
SATURDAY	7:45 A.M.	BREAKFAST	
	8:30 A.M.	MORNING PRAYER	
	9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.	CLASS: INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT	
	9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.		CLASS: THE ANGLICAN TRADITION: HISTORY, THEOLOGY, POLITY, PART 1
	12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.	LUNCH (BREAK IN CLASS)	LUNCH (BREAK IN CLASS)
	5:00 P.M.	EVENING PRAYER	
	5:30 P.M.	DINNER	
	6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.	CLASS: HISTORY AND PRAXIS OF CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY, PART 1	
SUNDAY	7:45 A.M.	HOLY EUCHARIST (OR VISIT TO AREA CHURCH, TIME TBD)	
	8:30 A.M.	BREAKFAST	
	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.	CLASS: THE CONTEXT OF MINISTRY, PART 1	
	12:00 P.M.	DISMISSAL	

BEGINNING IN JANUARY 2016 AND EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS FOLLOWING

**2016 TEACHING WEEKENDS: JANUARY 15-17, FEBRUARY 19-21, MARCH 18-20,
APRIL 15-17, MAY 13-15 (ALSO MAY 27-29 IF AN EARLIER WEEKEND HAS BEEN
CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER)**

DAYS	TIME	YEAR 1	ADVANCED COURSE (3RD YEAR)
FRIDAY	6:00 P.M.	GATHERING AND DINNER	
	6:30 P.M.	EVENING PRAYER	
	7:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.	CLASS: THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER: LITURGICAL PRAXIS	
SATURDAY	7:45 A.M.	BREAKFAST	
	8:30 A.M.	MORNING PRAYER	
	9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.	CLASS: INTRODUCTION TO THE GOSPELS	
	9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.		CLASS: THE ANGLICAN TRADITION: HISTORY, THEOLOGY, POLITY,PART 2
	12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.	LUNCH (BREAK IN CLASS)	LUNCH (BREAK IN CLASS)
	5:00 P.M.	EVENING PRAYER	
	5:30 P.M.	DINNER	
	6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.	CLASS: HISTORY AND PRAXIS OF CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY, PART 2	
SUNDAY	7:45 A.M.	HOLY EUCHARIST (OR VISIT TO AREA CHURCH, TIME TBD)	
	8:30 A.M.	BREAKFAST	
	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.	CLASS: THE CONTEXT OF MINISTRY, PART 2	
	12:00 P.M.	DISMISSAL	



Eco-friendly design and construction make the Wasatch Retreat and Conference Center an environmentally sustainable setting for the Utah Ministry Formation Program. The building utilizes farm-grown woods and part of the roof is covered with green plants to reduce the amount of building heat. Windows are set three feet into the walls so the sun is angled to avoid adding heat to the building in the summer, but the lower winter sun shines directly into it to increase warmth.

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allow rain
through to
light fixtures
pathways to
contribution
pollution.
low water,
drought
Water from*



*circulates through the building to help cool or heat it naturally.
Water returns to the aquifer with no loss to the water table.*

*granite walkways
and snow to soak
the ground. Outdoor
direct the light to the
lessen the
to urban light
Landscaping utilizes
drip irrigation and
tolerant plants.
below ground*

Other design features that contribute to eco-friendliness include high R-value roof insulation, foundation insulation, low-flow water saving plumbing fixtures, light colored roofing and recyclable carpet tiles.



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