

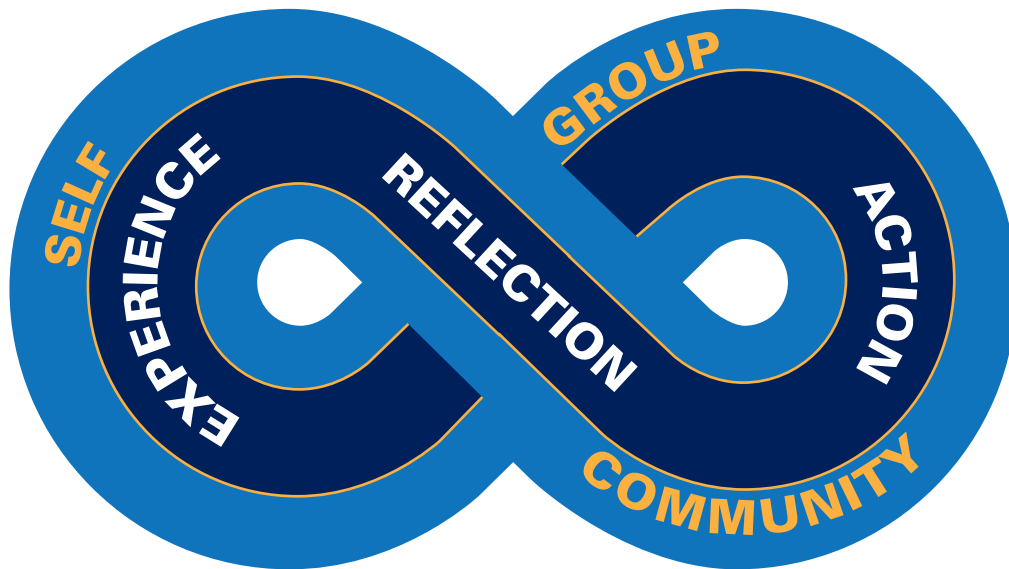
# Contemplatives in Action

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MODEL Division of Student Affairs | Marquette University

Guided by the mission of Marquette as a Catholic, Jesuit university, our goal is the formation of persons who will dedicate their lives to the service of others, actively entering into the struggle for a more just society.

We do this by helping students become “Contemplatives in Action” who engage in the Ignatian practice of prayer, reflection, and discernment in the context of their ongoing faith and value formation.

Marquette graduates will humbly encounter the world as Contemplatives in Action. These reflective leaders respond to the wisdom in their lived experiences. In spending time in discernment and prayer, they will choose action that contributes to the work of justice for the Greater Glory of God. An active life feeds a contemplative life.



### Self—Group—Community

Marquette leaders recognize their gifts and talents and see themselves as loved individuals. Through the recognition of the self as a loved person, one is able to be in community with others.

### Experience—Reflection—Action

Leadership starts from within. Members of our community have rich and diverse lived experiences, unique to each individual. A Contemplative in Action spends time in self-reflection and discernment to look within and make sense of their experiences. Leaders then take action for the greater good, informed by this reflection and the movements of the soul.

Given student development and leadership theories, we know that persons are in continual development (we are always becoming). The ellipsis represents this continual movement. People are transformed because of encountering this contemplative in action process.