

## Urban Interfaith Chaplaincy (UIC) Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)

is dedicated to caring for persons in spirit, mind, and body by providing compassionate, sensitive and competent ministry to the patients, residents, staff, and families of community service organizations.

### Applying for CPE

- Download application form from [www.acpe.edu](http://www.acpe.edu)
- Respond *fully* to *all* essay questions.
- Mail/email completed application to CPE Coordinator.
- Send in \$50 application fee.
- Complete interview by CPE Supervisor.
- Confirm ministry site with Administrator.
- Sign payment plan with Administrator.

### CPE Units Schedule

Currently offering three (3) CPE units per year:

- Spring 13 week Unit
- Summer Intensive 11 week Unit
- Fall 13 week Unit
- Visit [www.urbanchaplaincy.org](http://www.urbanchaplaincy.org) for more info.

### Tuition and Fees

- \$50 non-refundable application fee
- \$650 student fee at LAC+USC, not including application fee. Additional fees are required for students not serving at LAC+USC.
- Tuition includes registration of CPE student's units at ACPE National Office. Students seeking partial scholarships need to request on paper.
- \$3,000 off-site fee will be negotiated between student, clinical ministry site contract-signers and St. Camillus Center for Spiritual Care finance department. Partial scholarships are available

*"May all beings plagued with sufferings of body and mind quickly be freed from their illness.*

*May those frightened cease to be afraid, and may those who are bound be free."*

— *Spiritual Care Blessing*

### Our CPE program is intended for:

- Persons seeking to be a Board Certified Chaplain (APC, NACC and NAJC);
- Pastors, priests, rabbis, imams, chaplains & Theology students seeking to enhance their vocational skills;
- Persons seeking an Interfaith & Multicultural experience;
- Persons seeking a supervised learning experience while serving individuals in crisis.
- Persons seeking ministry discernment; and
- Persons seeking an opportunity to develop greater self awareness and spiritual care competence through individual and small group reflection.

### Essential Elements of CPE:

Structured Education (100 hours), include:

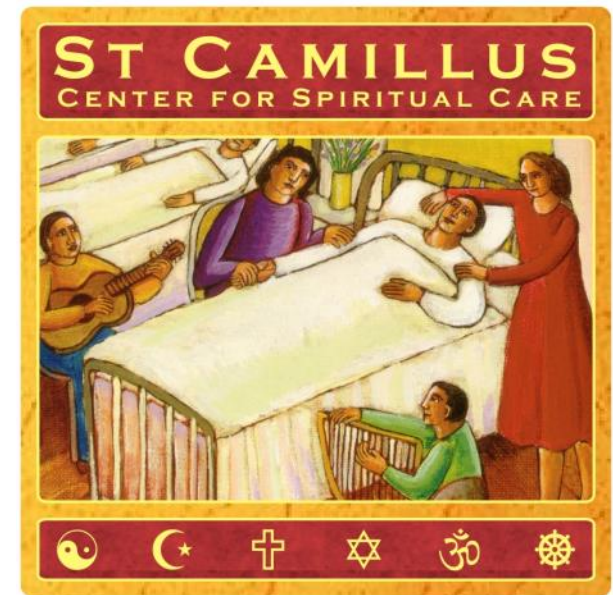
- Student personal Story Telling among in Peer Group.
- Group reflection on Verbatim Case & and Theological paper presentations.
- Individual Supervisory sessions with Supervisor.
- Didactic presentations & Field Trips relevant to Spiritual Care-of person in crisis.
- Interpersonal Relations Group processing time.
- Shared Student Mid-term and Final Self-Evaluations.

Clinical Ministry experience (300 hours), include:

- Regulated Clinical Ministry at a local Urban Ministry Site: hospital, jail, hospice, parish, etc. where multiple pastoral conversation can happen.
- Emergency Department Clinical Ministry, involving on-call response, assessment, intervention discernment & crisis care.

Individual Learning Goals will include:

- Increased competence as a compassionate listening presence for those one aims to serve.
- Growing awareness how one's personal and professional behavior affects others.
- Increased ability to reflect and think critically and as a means of ongoing life learning.
- Discernment of one's growing pastoral identity.
- Drawing connections between one's personal history and their current personal and professional practice.
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- Offering spiritual care in crisis situations.



Time To Heal by artist John August Swanson [johnaugustswanson.com]

# URBAN INTERFAITH CHAPLAINCY CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION

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## QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

*What is my image of God/the sacred?*

*Where do I find strength and hope?*

*How can I hear the story of another without having to share my own experience?*

*Am I open to learning from the other who is different from me?*

*What are the gifts I bring to spiritual care?*

*What are the blessings and challenges in my life experience?*

### **CPE Supervisor**

**Rev. Rambhoru Brinkmann, M.Div., MS, BCC  
Certified ACPE Educator**

### **ACCREDITATION**

St. Camillus Center Urban Chaplaincy CPE is accredited for Levels I, II & Supervisory CPE by the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc., ONE West Court Square, Suite 325, Decatur, GA, 30033 404-320-1472 [www.acpe.edu](http://www.acpe.edu)

## PAST STUDENTS REFLECTIONS

Taking the Clinical Pastoral Education unit at St. Camillus has been rewarding... the tools learned have empowered me to be a better chaplain. The group dynamic and individual supervision was essential in my pursuit of one day being a certified chaplain through the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC).

***Chaplain Manuel Torres***

I learned that CPE was not about me, nor was it about knowing what to say, but rather it was about being patient-centered, not me-centered. I learned to be present to the patient and learned to trust that the Holy Spirit would help me to listen empathically and help the patient to articulate his or her concerns to find peace of mind and heart.

***Gilbert Guzman, Seminarian***

St. Camillus Urban Interfaith Chaplaincy training is a well-kept secret, even among the laity of Los Angeles. I had to stumble upon it! And I am so grateful that I did. It has been the highpoint of my career.

***Mary Ruth Ewell, LMFT***

*"Patients deserve care, treatment, and services that safeguard their personal dignity and respect their cultural, psychosocial, and spiritual values. These values often influence the patient's perceptions and needs. By understanding and respecting these values, providers can meet care, treatment, and service needs and preferences."*

The Joint Commission  
for the Accreditation of Healthcare



## JOIN US AS PARTNERS:

- Could you sponsor/fund a student?
- Could your community benefit from the services of a chaplain intern?
- Could your community host a concert or speaker to benefit our ministry and raise the issues of Justice and Peace that effect health care access and costs?

## WE ARE GRATEFUL TO OUR FINANCIAL PARTNERS:

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- Archdiocese of Los Angeles
- Friends of St. Camillus
- LAC+USC Medical Center
- Von Der Ahe Foundation



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