

Clinical Pastoral Education | St. Francis Hospital

Whether you're young or old, a man or a woman, a layperson or seasoned ordained minister, if you're called to minister to people in crisis, you'll find plenty of opportunities to hone your skills in St. Francis' Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program. The program offers Level I and Level II CPE. The St. Francis Hospital CPE Center is one of only two accredited training programs in Georgia outside of Atlanta and one of only 350 ACPE Inc. accredited centers nationwide.

Based on the residency model that physicians undertake, you'll spend approximately one third of your time as a chaplain intern in formal educational activities (group and individual) and two-thirds of your time giving pastoral care to patients at one or more of these facilities: St. Francis Hospital, The Bradley Center of St. Francis, Franciscan Woods. Our staff chaplains and chaplain interns make thousands of visits to people in need on an annual basis.

As a chaplain-in-training, you'll receive supportive guidance and learn ways to bring spiritual refreshment and encouragement to many types of patients and their families.

CPE Programs

- Residency program (one year)
- Internships: short term or extended (part time) Spring, Summer, or Fall programs
- Three types of Level I and Level II CPE.
 - Level I – Extended unit (16-20 weeks over a fall or spring semester part-time)
 - Level I – Intensive unit (12 weeks over a summer full time)
 - Level I & II – Residency (yearlong) prerequisite a prior Extended or Intensive CPE unit, preferably two units

Curriculum Highlights

- Faith development within an ecumenical context in the "Bible Belt."
- Growth in pastoral competence and identity through small group reflection while serving as part of the Chaplain Services team.
- Focus on becoming a better listener.
- Reflect on the theology of your care for others.
- Increased self-awareness.
- Training in the use of family systems and object relations as psychological models for brief pastoral counseling.
- Emphasis on the development of professional competencies.

St. Francis Hospital is located in beautiful Columbus, Georgia, located 90 miles southwest of Atlanta alongside the Chattahoochee River. In Columbus, you'll enjoy the hospitality of a historic Southern town with easy accessibility to all the amenities of Atlanta.

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