



CPE Centre

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION 2017

Extended Part-time

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Extended CPE: 13th Feb - 4th Dec 2017

This program for up to 6 participants is based on a relaxed rather than intense scheduling. Extending over 43 weeks the unit will run from 13th Feb to 4th Dec, with breaks for public holidays, at mid-year and the September School holidays. During this program the participants will need to attend 30 of the 33 scheduled education days held on a Monday. Over the 43 weeks participants are required to provide and keep a log of 200 hours in their assigned placement. One hundred of these hours shall be in the actual practice of pastoral care.

Apply by 7th November 2016

Interviews will be scheduled for Monday 21st November to select the 4 to 6 participants. Later applications may be considered on inquiry up to 9th January 2017.

Cost

The ASACPEV Inc. recommended fee for a CPE unit in 2017 is \$1320. Some scholarship and bursary assistance is available for members of congregations in the Banyule Network of Uniting Churches.

Accreditation of CPE

On successful completion of the unit, participants will receive a Certificate issued by ASACPEV Inc. and signed by the Centre Director. A Clinical Pastoral Education program can be credited as a subject of a number of awards with teaching institutions associated with the *University of Divinity, the Australian College of Theology*, and other bodies. CPE participants seeking such credit should consult with the relevant teaching institution.

University of Divinity Credit

Should this CPE Unit be claimed for a college degree credit with the University of Divinity, the tuition fee will be that set by the University of Divinity. Credit for University of Divinity Awards. From January 2015 credit will only be granted if the candidate has enrolled in the relevant Unit: DP8273S or CPE Level 1 or DP9273S or CPE Level 2.

Enrolment in these units is dependent on:

1. completion of the University of Divinity prerequisites;
2. receipt of a letter offering a place in a registered CPE Centre.

Clarification of these requirements can be made through the Course Co-ordinator of the College in which you are enrolled or through contacting the University of Divinity's CPE Liaison Officer, Allison Whitby at: awhitby@stirling.edu.au

If part of a theological qualification through a higher education provider FEE-HELP may be available.

What is Clinical Pastoral Education?

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) is an action - reflection process of education. It provides opportunities for those seeking education as professionals to engage themselves in pastoral care while forming a pastoral identity, improving competence and an advancing understanding of how pastoral care is connected to biblical stories, theology, personality theory, classical myths and social networks. The education primarily emerges from the broader awareness and deeper insights gained by each individual participant. The education is supported by conscious evaluation of actual work, receiving regular professional supervision, feedback from people to whom pastoral care is offered and from peers in a small CPE study group.

CPE Education Day Components

The primary educational resource in this CPE Unit is the provision of regular individual supervision throughout the CPE program. Supervisors educated and accredited through the Association of Supervised and Clinical Pastoral Education in Victoria Inc. (ASACPEV Inc.) will provide this supervision.

This is supported by up to 80 hours of seminar presentations where each member of the CPE group presents to peers, written reports of actual pastoral care, the story of their spiritual formation, a longitudinal case study as well as mid and end of year evaluations.

In addition, the education days in this program include 29 Appreciative Enquiry Group Meetings and 20 hours of teaching of concepts and theories. The program will commence with a 10 hour Induction program.

Written Assignments

During the CPE Unit each participant will be required to present the following for supervision:

- eight pastoral conversation reports;
- one longitudinal study;
- an account of their life story;
- a mid and final year evaluation.

When meeting individually with a supervisor, each participant will provide journaling of their CPE experience and their engagement with those to whom they are providing pastoral care.

Ministry of Pastoral Care Practice

Each member of the course will offer pastoral care to one congregation within the Banyule Network of Uniting Churches. In this environment, they will have the opportunity to experience the pastoral and professional identity of being a Pastoral Care Assistant.

A major Pastoral Care task for the Pastoral Care Assistants will be to invite congregational members to engage in conversations about the significant changes they are experiencing in the church and how it impacts on their life and faith. This will be activated through negotiated contacts initially made by telephone to arrange a meeting for a specific time and day, either at the church building, the Sycamore Tree or other local coffee shop, the congregant's home or place of residence.

Education Centre

The Monday education program will be held in the Banyule Room at Scots, Uniting Church, 187 Burgundy Street Heidelberg, adjacent to Heidelberg Station and bus interchange. Day parking is also available.