

# Clinical Pastoral Education at Baptist Health

## What to expect

The Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Program at Baptist Medical Center combines experiential clinical practice with structured weekly didactics (teaching sessions), spiritual and theoretical reflection, mentoring, overnight on-call clinical experience, and individual consultation. We provide this structured learning opportunity through Level I and Level II training programs: summer intensive, a part-time internship, and a year-long residency program.

### What can you expect from CPE at Baptist?

In each of our education programs, approximately 70% of student time will be spent in clinical practice and 30% in educational activities. Residents and Summer Intensive interns spend eight hours in class per week, while Extended Unit Internships consist of four hours per week in class. Class includes didactics, reading seminars, theoretical reflection, verbatim seminars, and group consultation. In addition, students will spend one hour each week with a training educator for individual consultation as an educational component.



### CPE is more than in-class learning!

Students gain education through patient care experience in an assigned medical unit. We follow the action-reflection-action model of adult learning that encourages your reflection, assumption testing, questioning, and problem-solving. Summer Intensive interns and residents report to the hospital Monday thru Friday, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm for class and clinical assignments. Extended Unit interns (part-time) will spend ten hours per week providing care in addition to the four hours per week of class. In addition, students provide in-house overnight weekday, weekend, and holiday on-call shifts at any of our educational placement sites as needed for coverage. Students can expect to spend one to two nights a week on call, up to six on-calls per month.

Students can expect a rich learning experience to prepare them for professional ministry in their spiritual faith community, pastoral care/congregational settings, parachurch/non-profit careers, and chaplaincy in healthcare or other specialized settings.

#### For additional information:

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