MEET OUR TEAM

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PROFESSIONS WE SERVE

Spiritual Care/Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)
• Healthcare professionals (social workers, hospice, nurses, physicians, counselors)
• Schools of education (nursing, social work)
• Armed forces (U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines)
• Pastors, students, congregations, and spiritual caregivers
• Other seminaries, interreligious
• Seminary students who want to be ordained (mainline)

Continuing Education/Trauma Care
• Emergency care (emergency medical technicians (EMTs), firefighters, police)
• Healthcare professionals (social workers, hospice, nurses, physicians, counselors)
• Schools of education (nursing, social work)
• Armed forces (U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines)

APPLY TODAY
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At the Shaw Chaplaincy Institute for Spiritual Care and Compassionate Leadership, we educate and nurture the formation of spiritual care leaders and spiritually interested learners, empowering them to engage the emotional, spiritual, physical, intellectual, and moral needs of all people. All Shaw Chaplaincy Institute programs foster an understanding of how caring practices are expressed across cultures and religious traditions and contribute to multiple dimensions of inter-religious thought, faith, life, and witness in the world.

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION (CPE)

At the center of the Shaw Chaplaincy Institute for Spiritual Care and Compassionate Leadership is our renowned Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program, fully accredited to offer Level I, Level II, and Supervisory CPEs. The Shaw Chaplaincy Institute is one the only ACPE-accredited centers offering a full CPE program on a campus with a seminary with an endowed chair—made possible by Rev. John F. Shaw (M.Div. '54) and Julia Shaw—ensuring the longevity of the program.

Students learn how to integrate knowledge from theological, psychological, and social science disciplines into the practice of pastoral ministry. The Shaw Chaplaincy Institute offers a Supervisory Education Fellowship to one student preparing to become a certified ACPE supervisor.

The Institute provides students with the flexibility of choosing a community-based learning center, instead of only learning and training in a hospital or military program. Affiliate learning sites include a variety of venues, such as congregational and parish-based settings; state, police, and firefighting agencies; prisons; and addiction recovery facilities.

During CPE training, students receive close supervision while involved with persons seeking spiritual and/or religious care. Out of meaningful involvement with persons in various levels of crisis and need, and with feedback from peers and teachers, CPE students develop a new awareness of themselves and the needs of those they serve.

Program Structure

- Three sessions of CPE, which coincide with the academic calendar for degree programs
- 13–21 weeks of class
- 11 hours of structured education each week
- 20–30 hours of direct spiritual care each week

DIPLOMA IN CHAPLAINCY AND SPIRITUAL CARE RESEARCH LITERACY

In this program offered through the seminary, clinical pastoral educators, board-certified chaplains, and spiritual care providers who often work in research-based care environments will learn to use the tools needed to work alongside interdisciplinary colleagues in developing practices informed by scientific inquiry and designing and implementing evidence-based research. Courses are be taught in a hybrid format that includes both an online component and a two-to three-day meeting on campus.

Diploma Requirements

- Three required courses (9 units) that will provide a framework for evaluating research; methods of data collection; and theological reflection on the history and politics of research
- One elective seminar based on students’ professional needs
- A field research project (6 units) through the required core courses

“...the people of God need skilled, caring professionals who know how to facilitate groups, engage suffering, understand trauma and grief and their complex socio-cultural roots, care for the dying, and bring real transformation and healing to such situations.”

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CERTIFICATE IN TRAUMA AND SPIRITUAL CARE

Through this certificate, we provide working professionals in both clinical and pastoral settings with the skills needed to adequately care for and help people during life’s most difficult situations. Focusing on a spiritual understanding of trauma and healing, this intensive program combines crisis intervention training and trauma counseling education to give caregivers a comprehensive set of skills to help trauma survivors recover from their experiences.

Sample Courses

- Dynamics of Trauma: A Spiritual Care Approach to Theory and Practice
- Trauma Care Resiliency: Developing Transformative Emotional Intelligence
- God and Human Suffering
- Collective Trauma, Collective Memory: Systemic Issues of Trauma