

Residency Programs

CPE One-year residency, LIA-LIIB

What: Five to six full-time positions with challenging clinical placements. We have one second-year residency position available each year

Who: Religious/Spiritual leaders with at least one unit of CPE

Focus: Opportunity to deepen vital spiritual care giving skills during crisis and other life-changing moments. Preparation for becoming a professional Board Certified Chaplain

When: A year long program offering three units of CPE beginning Aug. 19, 2024

*Benefits: Stipend \$41,600. Health and dental insurance available, vacation and sick days, and more.

Educator in Training

What: One position addressing supervision and education in the theory and practice of clinical pastoral education

Who: Religious/Spiritual leaders with at least four units of CPE; Master of Divinity degree or equivalency; Demonstrated pastoral competence

Focus: To become an ACPE Certified Educator

When: Program involves a renewable two-year commitment

* Benefits: Stipend \$53,580. Health and dental insurance available, vacation and sick-days, and more.

* Benefits are subject to final approval

Faculty:

- Rev. Israel Mutema, BCC, ACPE Certified Educator
- Rev. Christian Ricker, BCC
- Rev. Marvin Jonasen, BCC
- Rev. Anna Gordon, BCC
- Rev. Megan Pike, BCC
- Rev. Greg Jones
- Rabbi Sam Schauvaney
- Rev. Will Runyon, BCC
- Thomas Harter, PhD, Clinical Ethics
- Denise Nicholson, RN, Caritas Coach, Advance Care Planning

About Gundersen Health System

Gundersen Health System is a non-profit, comprehensive integrated healthcare network headquartered in La Crosse, Wis. Gundersen's more than 8,000 employees serve 21 counties in western Wisconsin, southeastern Minnesota, and northeastern Iowa. Their network includes a large multi-specialty group medical practice, teaching hospital with Level II Trauma Center, regional community clinics and hospitals, behavioral health services, vision centers, pharmacies, and air and ground ambulances. Gundersen's vision is to enhance the health and well-being of the communities it serves and enrich every life, including patients, families and staff.

La Crosse is a historic, vibrant city nestled between bluffs and the legendary Mississippi River. La Crosse boasts some of the best outdoor recreation, excellent schools including three universities, affordable housing in safe

neighborhoods, an endless variety of live entertainment and breathtaking beauty, making this a great place to call home.

For more information

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Gundersen Spiritual Care Clinical Pastoral Education

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Clinical Pastoral Education at Gundersen Health System is an intense training experience, providing diverse experiences in a pluralistic ministry setting. This exciting program prepares its participants for ministry in hospitals, hospices, nursing homes, mental health centers, congregations and other specialized settings.

Participants develop skills and understanding to serve people at life's crossroads—coping with crisis and serious illness, facing change and challenges, confronting aging and dealing with death.

As a chaplain, you are involved in the interdisciplinary care of patients, family members and staff from many different faiths. You will work closely with our exceptional Spiritual Care faculty and

other Gundersen professionals. CPE residents and summer interns are assigned to particular units working in tandem with board-certified chaplains.

The faith backgrounds of our faculty and staff reflect the wide-ranging religious and spiritual expressions found throughout the Tri-state Region. We work with community pastors, faith leaders and ministers to care for the religious needs of patients as well as explore ways to offer ministry to people who define themselves as more spiritual than “religious.”

Clinical placements for CPE residents are within the Medical Center, Emergency Services, Palliative Care, and Hospice. CPE residents work closely with dedicated staff chaplain coordinators and mentors to receive training in our nationally recognized programs. This is just a sampling of why our CPE program is one of the best in the United States.

Our program balances intensity with an emphasis on caring for the self and staff. Students are involved in on-call and crisis ministry with regularly scheduled days off to provide important life/work balance.

Gundersen is a fully accredited ACPE center offering certified units of Level I and II CPE and Educator CPE. Ordained clergy, religious leaders, seminarians, allied healthcare professionals and lay people are encouraged to apply.



CPE at Gundersen Health System

Tuition: \$200 per unit because of support from Gundersen Medical Foundation (normal/unit fee \$500)

There is no application fee

Internship programs

Summer CPE internship, 12 weeks

What: Four to six fulltime positions, with clinical placements in the Hospital and Emergency Services

Who: Those seeking initial experience in pastoral/spiritual care.

Focus: LIA-LIIB Addresses basic competencies of spiritual care and issues of pastoral reflection, formation and identity.

When: May 27, 2025 - Aug. 8, 2025

*Benefits: Stipend \$750 (subject to approval)

Extended CPE internship, 7 months

What: Four to seven part-time positions

Who: Religious/Spiritual leaders, seminarians and lay persons.

Focus: LIA-LIIB Addresses competencies in spiritual care and issues of pastoral identity and integration. Opportunity to use your ministry site as your clinical placement. Interns learn on-call chaplaincy at the Gundersen Health System hospital in La Crosse working one night every other week 4 p.m. to 8 a.m.

When: Program meets virtually once a week October 3, 2024 through April 26, 2025.

Designated in-person meetings during the program include orientation and as needed. Benefits: Stipend \$750 (subject to approval)