

UnityPoint Health - Meriter
Clinical Pastoral Education - Internship (26 weeks)
Guidelines and Expectations

Unit Dates:

Approximate start dates are the last three weekdays in August and February. Approximate end dates are the first weekend in September and March.

Approximate ACPE Accredited hours for 26-Week Internship Unit:

26 weeks direct clinical work (7:30 – 12:30 or 12:30 – 5:00)	256 hours
7 days (Sat or Sun) primary weekend on-call (7:30 – 5:00)	68 hours
12 Individual Supervision sessions (every other week)	12 hours
24 Group Seminars (Wednesday afternoon) (Thursday morning)	144 hours
Unit Case Presentations and other didactics	<u>20 hours</u>
Approximate Total	500 hours

This CPE Internship format completes one unit of ACPE accredited training in 26-weeks. Weekend on-call is also a component of the clinical learning process. Interns will utilize the Group Seminar times to develop their learning. Some of the presentations and discussions will occur in conjunction with the CPE Residents. Individual supervision is scheduled every other week and attendance at the monthly All Chaplain meeting is required.

The weekend daytime on-call responsibilities will include serving as the primary on-call chaplain (on a rotating basis with other interns, residents, and day/night chaplains). Back-up on-call will be provided by departmental staff. Interns will coordinate their weekday and weekend on-call schedules during the weekly Department Scheduling meeting.

Changes to the weekend and weekday clinical schedules will need to be coordinated with one's department team members, administrative assistant, manager, and educator. Although these hours may be adjusted, a premium is placed on regularly scheduled weekly hours to ensure consistency and predictable distribution of pastoral coverage.

Interns will be expected to complete departmental documentation, follow its policies and procedures, and meet the program requirements for Clinical Pastoral Education.

Intern Signature: _____

Date: _____

Educator Signature: _____

Date: _____