

ANNOUNCEMENT: NEW CPE PROGRAM

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) is a foundational requirement for many seminary students in the United States. Traditionally, the primary goal of this intensive experiential learning, is to prepare clergy for the challenging work of providing spiritual care to congregants and patients experiencing existential crises, personal transitions or traumatic events. More recently CPE has created alternative sites for students to do their clinical work and reflection that are outside of churches and hospitals. This has created many new opportunities for educators and students to provide a variety of care modalities in courts, harm reduction programs, libraries, unhoused encampments and community centers.

In partnership with the JED Center (an accredited ACPE Center based in Connecticut) Rev. Karen Hutt (ACPE Educator) will be leading the first ever Climate Based/Climate Conscious CPE program in the US. A team of interested students, climate organizations, activists, and divinity school staff will be meeting over the summer to explore potential populations these students will provide care to while the curriculum is being developed and reviewed.

SOME DETAILS

Program Dates: January 12th - June 22nd 2026

Program meets online 3 hrs a week and clinicals 12 hours a week

Program Cost \$3,400 for one unit of accredited CPE

Interested in engaging this idea?

Interested in being a CPE student?

Want to share this with a colleague?

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