

Eden Theological Seminary -- Clinical Pastoral Education

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Where can I work after obtaining a Unit from Eden's social justice CPE?

A: Eden's Clinical Pastoral Education program is an ACPE Accredited unit of CPE which provides the same engagement, didactics and education as units offered in a hospital setting. Sankofa CPE Center offers ACPE Certified CPE in a virtual setting allowing students to use their ministry context in place of patient encounters.

Q: Will I be able to use them for eligibility as a chaplain, educator, hospice chaplain etc...?

A: Yes, this will count as one Unit of CPE.

Q: How many units will Eden offer? Will it be offered for 2 terms? How could I get 4 units through Eden's CPE?

A: Eden is currently offering 3 sessions (Fall 2021, Spring 2022, and Summer 2022) in the 2021-2022 Academic Year as a pilot program. Students can take one unit; however, CND/CPE students can use this as their 2nd unit towards Licensure as a Chaplain.

Q: Why will it not be offered again for the next school year? I thought that this was a pilot program.

A: Eden partnered with Sankofa CPE Center to provide a pilot program which has been undergirded by a grant from the ACPE Innovation Lab. After this year, we expect the program will continue, but without the grant.

Q: How do I sign up for Fall 2022?

A: The 2022-2023 Academic Calendar has not been set. Please check back with us in Spring 2022 when additional scheduling information will be available. In preparation for these upcoming sessions candidates are encouraged to complete their applications as we expect a waiting list to form.

Q: What do I do prior to enrollment, am I to fill out an application?

A: Yes! If you are already enrolled in a degree program with Eden Seminary, you will need to submit your ACPE Application to the Eden Admissions Office. The application includes a series of questions about yourself, your resume, transcripts, and an interview with the CPE

Supervisor. In addition, students will have to pass a background check and pay for their liability insurance (provide proof of coverage) prior to being fully enrolled in the program.

If you are not currently enrolled in a degree program with Eden Seminary, you will need to apply and be admitted as a Credit Non-Degree student at www.eden.edu/apply.

Q: Will federal financial aid pay for this program?

A: Yes. If you are already enrolled in a degree program. No, if you are not enrolled in a degree program. To qualify for Federal Direct Loans:

- students must be enrolled in a degree seeking program;
- attending at least 6 credit hours of courses in one semester, and
- have satisfactory academic progress.

Credit Non-Degree (CND) students **do not** qualify for Federal Direct Loans; however, all enrolled students will receive \$1000 in grant funds provided by the ACPE Innovation Lab for Fall 2021, Spring 2022 and Summer 2022 sessions.

See www.eden.edu/cpe for further details.