

Students work and learn alongside the team of spiritual care practitioners in the clinical programs of WRHN.

*Introducing:*  
**Clinical Psycho-spiritual Education**  
*at*

**Waterloo Regional Health Network**  
The Clinical Pastoral Education program runs from the hospital's Freeport Campus with placements at both Campuses. The extended and intensive units are designed to strengthen spiritual care skills and deepen self-awareness. The program is for those serving or seeking to serve in health care institutions, correctional services, within faith communities, educational and other related institutions. Students are drawn from theological schools, other institutions of higher learning and faith communities.

*Application Deadline for the Extended Unit is April 15<sup>th</sup> and Intensive Unit is Jan. 15<sup>st</sup>*



**What is a SPE Unit?**

*SPE is an experience-based approach to learning spiritual care and counselling which combines care with qualified supervision and group reflection. SPE is normally in an inter-disciplinary context where the insights of other professions promote creative dialogue and where co-operation is encouraged with other workers and agencies serving the community. The program is open to people who are interested in pursuing a profession in spiritual care or counselling” (CASC Manual 2015).*



**The Spiritual Care Team at Waterloo Regional Health Network**

The two hospitals in the region have merged and the list does not include all Staff. This document will be updated with details of Staff at Queen's Blvd.

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## Programs

Intensive Unit runs for 11 Weeks in Spring/Summer (May – July)

Extended Unit runs for 30 Weeks in Fall/Winter (September – March)

**Education Days:** Students attend two education days per week for the intensive unit (Mondays and Wednesdays); and one day per week for the extended unit (Mondays), for a minimum of 170 hours over the course of the unit. The education days consist of group work and theory integration at the Freeport Campus. Education include interactive seminar meant to prepare students for work with clients, patients and their families, and strengthen spiritual care skills. Group work provide an opportunity for participants to unpack their experiences and learn from each another. The program utilizes the Adult Education philosophy that incorporates theological reflections, verbatim (case presentations), role plays, and small group practice exercises.

**Clinical Days:** Students need to accumulate a minimum of 160 hours of clinical time per unit, which requires two days per week for intensive units (Tuesdays and Thursdays) or one day per week for the extended units. Clinical days are designated for practical work with patients, families and staff at assigned clinical program.

Clinical programs include: Emergency, ICU, Oncology, Surgery, Medicine, Specialized Mental Health, Rehabilitation, Palliative, Continuing Complex Care, Geriatric Assessment and Neurobehavioural. Placements to specific program assignments are discussed in the first two weeks of the unit.

## Application Process:

The unit is offered as a graduate course through Martin Luther University College. Successful applicants from other educational institutions not affiliated with the Centre will need to apply to Wilfrid Laurier University and enroll for the course at Luther

## Cost:

The cost for the unit is \$1250 which includes registration fee of \$250 with Canadian Association for Spiritual Care (CASC). The cost through Luther is \$1790/= payable to Martin Luther University College and distributed as follows: \$1230/= to Grand River Hospital (tuition & registration). In addition, students are responsible for any additional costs required with the registration of a graduate course at Luther. There is an incidental fee payable to Martin Luther University College to cover insurance costs for those who may not have their own coverage. Membership with CASC is required. Membership Fee is \$90.00,

payable to CASC before or at the start of unit.

## When are fees due?

The important dates for each term is stipulated on the Academic Calendar: <https://academic-calendar.wlu.ca/dates.php?cal=3&y=78>

**Number of Students:** The program can accommodate a maximum of 6 students for the extended unit and 4 students for the intensive unit.



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