

***ACTS URBAN CPE***

C/O CTS

1178 East 58<sup>th</sup> Street

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Type of Center: Community Organization Center

Former name of Center and date of name change:

*Name/date*

Chicago Center for Public Ministry CPE 1992-4/93

Hyde Park Cluster CPE 4/93-5/94

ACTS Urban CPE 5/94-Present

General location: Urban

Original CPE affiliation: ACPE

**PROGRAM HISTORY**

Year of first program: 1992 Full accreditation: 1996

Number or estimate of students who have been enrolled in the program: 145

Number or estimate of total units of CPE completed: 145

Present Supervisor(s): Barbara Sheehan, S.P.

Previous Supervisors:

*Names/dates*

Frances McWilliams 1992-1995

Levels of CPE offered: CPE

Extended units: One and one intensive.

Persons instrumental in establishing CPE program:

*Names, title/position, agency*

Rev. Robert Bayler – Vice-President Evangelical Health Systems (EHS)

Rev. Jim Gibbons – ACPE Supervisor EHS

Rev. Frances McWilliams – ACPE Supervisor

Rev. Bob Worley – Dean, McCormick Theological Seminary

Rev. Clark Gilpin – Dean, University of Chicago Divinity School

Rev. Ralph Kline – Dean, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Spencer Levan – President/Dean, Meadville/Lombard Theological School

Rev. Bill Myers – Dean, Chicago Theological Seminary

Dean, Garrett-Evangelical Seminary

**PROGRAM ENROLLMENT STATICS FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS**

Lay students: 6

Female students: 75

Minority students: 26

International students: 3

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

**PROGRAM FUNDING – PRESENT, PAST, SOURCES:** Funding is by member partners. Each of the theological schools gives an annual contribution. Advocate Health Care gives an annual contribution as well. This arrangement is for the three year budget periods from July 1999 through June 2002. The previous five years had the same agreement except that Advocate Health Care gave an annual contribution that was greater. The six theological school members are: Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Chicago Theological Seminary, Meadville/Lombard Theological School, University of Chicago Divinity School, McCormick Theological School and Garrett-Evangelical Theological School.

**UNIQUE FEATURES OF THE CENTER’S CPE PROGRAM:**

- Partnership of theological schools and Advocate Health Care to set up Center
- Inclusion of University of Chicago Divinity School in partnership
- Focus of learning pastoral care is systemic and structural issues
- Action of students are in urban context with partnerships set up with agencies, urban congregations and urban clinics/health settings
- Theological reflection is based on social analysis leading to group action and/or individual action for social transformation
- Unique in setting within CPE – one of very few centers offering alternative ministry formation for the future.