CHAPLAINCY TRACK INFORMATION

Description of the Track
This track aims to prepare students for religious leadership within settings traditionally understood under the rubric of chaplaincy. These include: prisons, the military, hospitals, hospice, retirement communities, police stations, airports, workplaces, and educational institutions (private high schools/colleges/universities). The design of the track assumes that students need to be equipped to minister within religiously pluralistic and ‘secular’ contexts, will have the necessary skills to provide spiritual care within those settings, and will be conversant in the primary policy/advocacy discourse within the setting in which they intend to minister.

Rationale for Track
1. **Meets Stated Vocational Intent** - An increasing number of students enter BUSTH with the aim of pursuing some form of chaplaincy.
2. **University-Based Chaplaincy Education** - While other independent seminaries offer programs in chaplaincy, we are unique in our ability to draw on the wider university resources for educating chaplains. Underlying the design of this track is the understanding that chaplains need to be well-versed in theology as well as in the dominant discourse of their respective work setting: health care policy (hospitals), criminal justice (prisons), political science (military), etc. We understand this component to be unique and essential to training the future chaplaincy.
3. **Religion in Society** - We have outstanding resources to equip chaplains to engage the broader discussions about the role of religion in society and to prepare them for ministry in religiously pluralistic settings.
4. **Conflict Transformation and Clinics** - This proposal comes with the support of the faculty in Religion and Conflict Transformation. Current chaplains-in-training at STH often find a home in the RCT program. The clinics that are being developed within the RCT would also have particular appeal to chaplains and would give them hands-on training in a variety of settings.

Distinctives of the Track: Course Requirements
1. In Cluster One, “Texts and Traditions,” one of the two required cluster courses must be taken in the area of World Religions/Interreligious Dialogue/Ecumenism/Missions. Rationale: Chaplains are working within inter-religious settings and need to gain competency in ministering within religiously pluralistic contexts.
2. In Cluster Two, “Engaging Contemporary Contexts,” students are required to take STH TY704 Introduction to Pastoral Care. The second course should be focused in the areas of: pastoral care and counseling or sociology/social analysis and theory. Rationale: Given the centrality of pastoral care and counseling to chaplaincy work, Introduction to Pastoral Care is required. The other cluster course must strengthen the student’s ability to analyze social contexts.
3. In Cluster Three, “Theories and Practices of Leadership,” students are required to take STH TC817 Introduction to Christian Worship. For the second course, students should choose the course based on the practices that are most needed within their anticipated arena of ministry.
4. Students must fulfill a track specific elective. Students should select an advocacy or policy-focused course at Boston University that is most relevant to their proposed area of chaplaincy, such as: public health, higher education administration, criminal justice/law, international relations, political science, social work. The aim is for students to have a preliminary understanding of the settings in which they will enter—an introduction to the primary vocabulary of the workspace.
Resources for the Track
1. Chaplaincy Club for students in the Track: Kelsey Lyon – contact person
2. Faculty Advisors: Shelly Rambo, Pamela Lightsey, Mary Elizabeth Moore, Cristian de la Rosa, Steven Sandage, Barbob Salimi
3. Shadowing opportunities: connecting with local alums

Sample of Upcoming Courses Track-Related Courses

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Context Education Placements
1. Students in the track may elect to take Clinical Pastoral Education to fulfill their Contextual Education Requirement (TC801/802 = one unit of CPE)
2. Below is the list of already established contextual education sites. If you have ideas for placements, please contact Dr. Cristian de la Rosa. The most important thing is to give her time to reach out to the potential site. It is critical to have someone there who is able to supervise you and is willing to work with the Office of Contextual Education.

Established Chaplaincy Track Contextual Education Sites
Provided by the Office of Contextual Education – Fall 206
Dr. Cristian De la Rosa

Brooksby Village
www.ericksonliving.com/brooksby-village
300 Brooksby Village Drive
Peabody, MA 01960
Contact: Rev. Chad William Kidd, Pastoral Ministries Manager Email: chad.kidd@erickson.com
Tel. (978) 536-7831

Dr. Matthew S. Shwartz Hospice
www.aurumnetwork.com/facility/show.php?f=shwartz
123 Captain’s Row
Chelsea, MA 02150
Contact: Andrew Tripp
Email: atripp@shwartzhospice.org
Phone: (617) 889-0779
Episcopal Campus Ministry at Boston University
40 Prescott Street
Brookline, MA 02146
Contact: Rev. Cameron Partridge Email: cepart@bu.edu

Hospice of the North Shore – Danvers
www.hns.org
75 Sylvan Street Ste. B102
Danvers, MA 01923
Phone: (978) 774-7566

Louis D. Brown Peace Institute
ldbpeaceinstitute.org
15 Christopher St., Dorchester, MA 02122
Contact: Rachel Fazzino
Email: rachel@ldbpeaceinstitute.org
Phone: (617) 825-1917

Maria Droste Counseling Services – Quincy
http://mariadrostecounseling.com/
1354 Hancock Street
Suites 209 & 214
Quincy, MA 02169
Fax: 617-471-6622
Contact: Michael Shanahan, Executive Director
Email: mike1.mdcsl@gmail.com
Phone: (617) 471-5686

Marsh Chapel at Boston University – Boston (International Chaplain)
www.bu.edu/chapel
735 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, MA 02215
Contact: Ms. Jessica Chicka
Email: ichicka@bu.edu
Phone: (617) 358-3399

Northeastern University, Center for Spirituality, Dialogue and Service – Boston
http://www.northeastern.edu/spirituallife/
203 Ell Hall, 360 Huntington Avenue
Boston, MA 02115
(617)373-4931
Contact: Alexander Levering Kern, Executive Director
Email: a.kern@neu.edu
Phone: (617)373-4931
**V.A. Boston Healthcare System – West Roxbury**
http://www.boston.va.gov/
1400 VFW Parkway
West Roxbury, MA 02132
**Contact:** Rev. Douglas Falls
Email: douglas.falls@va.gov
Phone: (617)323-7700 ext. 36814

**Westover Air Reserve Base**
http://www.westover.afrc.af.mil/ 439th Airlift Wing Chapel
100 Walker Avenue, Box 40
Chicopee MA 01022
**Contact:** Matthew C. Zimmerman, Ch, Capt, USAFR Chaplain, 439 AW/HC
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Chapel Office Comm: (413) 557-3360
Chapel Office DSN: 589-3360

**Tilton School – Tilton, NH**
www.tiltonschool.org
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Phone: (603) 286-4342
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**Quinipet Camp and Retreat Center – New York**
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99 Shore Rd.
Shelter Island Heights, NY 11965
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