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PUBLIC NOTICE

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN SOCIAL WORK

The Centre for Clinical Pastoral Education and Social Services (CECPES) is pleased to announce its Certificate Program in Social Work to begin on June 16, 2024. The program is solidly academic as it blends theoretical knowledge and supervised clinical skills in community settings, at both the **Intensive** and the **Extended Models**.

The Intensive Model

The program begins with course work from June 18, 2024 to September 21, 2024; with practicum from October 3, 2024 to January 3, 2025. Students shall come for classes from Monday to Friday, but will attend some courses in the weekend with the Extended Model Students. Thesis/Report Writing will run from October 28, 2024 to January 30, 2025.

The Extended Model

The program begins with course work on June 16, 2024 with *Self-awareness and Orientation*. Thereafter, sessions shall hold every weekend (preferably Friday to Sunday), beginning from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. However, they will be expected at some point to attend a few courses in the week just to ensure that lecturers who may not be available to come in twice, can lecture them as they do with Intensive Model Students. Extended Students may combine Course Work and Practicum if course work is still pending when Practicum begins. Report Writing will run from October 28, 2024 to January 30, 2025. We intend to admit at least 25 students for each model and applicants shall be considered on a rolling basis. The week of June 18, 2024 to June 21, 2024 shall be *Self-awareness and Orientation* week, with both models meeting together. Thereafter, Extended Model students shall follow a different schedule mostly during the weekends.

N.B.: The Candidates are not trained to be recruited by the CBC Health Services.

Program Overview

The program is based on a new curriculum for Social Work and allows students to gain a broad base in the key issues related to social work, such as values and ethics that underpin social work. There are courses that focus on specific areas such as:

- Clinical Assessments
- Community Development
- Child Protection
- Substance Abuse
- Addiction and treatment in social work
- Communication Skills
- Hospital Social Work
- Mental Health
- Etc

Students/participants are taught by formal lectures, group discussions, experiential work and seminars.

Program Structure

The program shall follow a modular learning approach.

Other Requirements

- Case presentations (shall be carried out at Practicum sites).
- Practicum Thesis/Report of about 40-50 pages long
- Joint Practicum Seminar
- Joint Marriage Enrichment Seminar
- Family Therapy Seminar

Entry Requirements

- Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, Sociology, or any other related discipline or equivalence,
- Persons practicing social work related careers such as Non-Governmental Organisations, workers who handle social problems, Community Development Workers, Social Workers who want to upgrade their theoretical knowledge and practical skills etc. The program also serves as in-service training for Social Workers who want to upgrade their theoretical knowledge and practical skills.
- Churches of all denominations shall sponsor their members for the Social Ministries of the church. Those coming from churches MUST bring recommendations duly signed by the church leadership. Those coming from churches without the above entry requirements or qualifications shall be considered on a case by case basis.

Deadline

Interested candidates must send in their complete application files latest May 30, 2024 comprising:

- A handwritten application clearly specifying which model you are applying for (Intensive or Extended Model).
- A well written curriculum vitae
- Academic credentials
- A church recommendation on or before the start of the program
- A recent photo of yourself from head to toe

Please address the above to:

The Director, CECPEPES

C/o P.O Box 1, Nkwen, Bamenda, North West Region

Fees

- Tuition: 175,000 FCFA for both Intensive and Extended Candidates
- Practicum fees: 25,000 FCFA (payable before practicum begins)
- Enrich/Premarital Counseling Seminar (certificated): 15,000 FCFA; including certificate, one meal and training materials)
- Family Therapy Seminar (40- hour 5-day seminar) – (Certificated) 25,000 FCFA – excludes textbook and meal. Textbook costs 8,500 FCFA), payable during orientation week.
- A jacket costs 6,000 FCFA. Other incidental expenses estimated at 25,000 FCFA (excluding text books).
- 2/3 of the fees must be paid during the orientation week from June 4 – 7, 2024 and the rest before students go on practicum.

For any further inquiry, please contact: Rev. Mbuh Julius (Tel #: 670344418 or email mbujullius@gmail.com) or Mr. Bankui Frederick (Tel: 653339310 or email: bankui2008@yahoo.com).

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