NETWORK MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

According to the ACPE Constitution, membership is available to special interest groups that support the mission and vision of the ACPE, whose purpose is to enhance the mission and vision of ACPE, and has been accepted for membership by the ACPE Board of Representatives. This membership includes the right to hold a network meeting for your members during ACPE national conferences. Each network member names a convener to serve as liaison between the network’s members and the national organization.

Applications are reviewed at the bi-annual meeting of the Board of Representatives in the spring and fall. The board follows a dialogical process that seeks to determine the compatibility of your institution’s mission and vision with that of the ACPE.

Please complete all of the requested information, attach the required documentation, and return to the ACPE address listed at the top of this form.

Name of Network: _____________________________________________________________

Focus of Special Interest: ______________________________________________________

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CAN YOUR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP SUPPORT THE MISSION AND VISION OF ACPE?

Yes___________  or  No___________________

If no, explain on an attached sheet.

CAN YOUR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP ABIDE BY THE CRITERIA FOR NETWORK MEMBERSHIP?

Yes___________  or  No___________________

If no, explain on an attached sheet.

Signature of Respondent: _______________________________________________________

Printed Name/Title of Convener: _______________________________________________

Convener Address: ____________________________________________________________

Telephone: (_____ ) ______________________ Fax: (_____ ) ______________________

Email address: _______________________________________________________________
Criteria for Network Membership:
Groups that consider themselves to be a network, and intend to make a positive contribution to ACPE, shall apply to and be accepted by the Board of Representatives for membership with the following stipulations:

1. The ACPE assumes no financial or legal responsibility for the activities of the network members (hereafter called "network").
2. Each network will be self-governing.
3. Networks have no voting rights in ACPE; individual members of networks who are members of ACPE have voting rights as determined by their membership category in the ACPE By-laws.
4. Networks may advertise themselves as members of ACPE.
5. Networks must submit an annual report to the Board of Representatives.
6. Member Networks in ACPE may use ACPE publications to advertise their activities, meet during ACPE annual conferences, solicit political and financial support for their activities among the ACPE membership.
7. Networks may use the ACPE office for accounting purposes based on a written agreement to this effect.
8. Networks are eligible for endowment grant funding as approved by the Board of Representatives.
9. Member networks and their conveners may be listed within the directory section of the ACPE website.
10. Networks do not speak for ACPE, Inc. nor are opinions expressed by the network necessarily the opinion or policy of ACPE, Inc.

ACPE Mission Statement
Advancing exceptional experience-based theological education and professional practice to heal a hurting world.

ACPE Vision Statement
We will be an organization where people of diverse faith traditions, backgrounds, and cultures collaborate to provide innovative experiential education. We will lead in the theory and practice of clinical education for spiritual care. We will promote and broaden the provision of quality professional theological education in a variety of settings.

ACPE Values
Education: We value a process model of education that is student centered, vigorously reflective and potentially transformative. We understand professional competence as the integration of personal story, religious heritage and theological understanding and knowledge of the behavioral sciences. This integration leads to personal awareness, integrity in relationships and receptivity to diversity.

Diversity: We value diversity and strive to educate culturally competent clinical pastoral educators and spiritual care providers. We engage in professional development in order to increase cultural awareness.

Collegiality: We value relationships marked by accountability, mutual respect, clear communication and ethical practice that supports personal and professional integration and care of self and others.