

Programs in

HOSPITAL MINISTRY

November 22 - December 20, 1972

January 10 - February 14, 1973

offered at

St. Johns Hospital
Springfield, Illinois

GOALS

To provide an experiential learning in visiting and counseling patients in order to develop an awareness of the spiritual and psychological needs of persons in crisis. This experience would be broadened to include relatives of patients as indicated. To increase skills and discover new perspectives in interpersonal relations. To evaluate methods in response to the challenge in the hospital in today's changing world. To provide the opportunity to explore one's personal and professional identity.

PHILOSOPHY

The goals are based on the philosophy that the patient, as a person created in the image of God, must be approached in light of his relationship to God, to his family, and to the society in which he lives. This philosophy dictates that a hospital dedicated to the service of mankind cannot stop at helping men in his physical needs, but must look at each patient in his wholeness, recognizing that man has social, spiritual, and psychological needs, which must be met as well as his physical needs.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Tuition: \$50.00

Accommodations:

Rooms are available at St. Francis Convent, which is located 6 miles from the hospital.

Arrangements may be made by contacting: Sister Marie Hilkemeyer
St. Francis Convent
P.O. Box 42
Springfield, Illinois

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DESCRIPTION OF HOSPITAL

St. Johns Hospital is a 665-bed institution and is newly-affiliated with the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. It offers many services, such as emergency care, trauma center, high-risk nursery, open-heart surgery, intensive and coronary care, psychiatry, and many more. Out-patient care is also provided.

CONTENT OF PROGRAM

The program will include experience in visiting patients; discussion of verbatim reports of visits; lectures, tapes, and film strips on such topics as psychological approach to illness, the theology of sickness, aging and dying, and counseling; selected reading; and group participation.

PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

1. Letter of application should include sociological information, as well as purpose and goals of applicant.
2. admission interview when possible
3. program limited to 6 persons
4. for further information of the program, write:

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