

Standards for Preparation and Board for Diplomate Supervisor in Clinical Pastoral Education/Training 2026

The following is a list of requirements for Diplomate. Some would be requirements or prerequisites. Others may not be absolute requirements, but should be considered in the evaluation by the board.

Pre-requisites:

- CPSP-Philippines certified Clinical Chaplain
- Active Member of CPSP-Philippines in good standing
- Completed 5 full units as a supervisor in the Supervisor-in-Training (SIT) program as prescribed by CPSP-Philippines.
- Recommended by the SIT Supervisor to be considered for Diplomate
- Sub-specialty unit or mentorship (desirable, not required).
- Status in Religious Organization (ordination, commissioning, informal status)

Paperwork:

- Theological Integration Paper.
 1. (Anthropology) How do you understand persons as creatures of God (or in relationship with ultimate reality) as defined in your faith tradition?
 2. (Religious Heritage) How do you critically reflect upon your own religious/spiritual heritage and current beliefs/theological practices in relationship to CPSP-Philippines's cultura and mission?
 3. (Pastoral Theology) How do you think theologically, based on your faith tradition, about interpersonal relationships, suffering, and relationship with the transcendent or ultimate reality?
 4. (Inspiration) Which theologians, teachers, and/or spiritual resources had influence on your theological stance?
 5. (Culture) How do you understand the interplay between your cultural context and the theological/spiritual perspective formation or development, as it is understood in your faith tradition, and how is spiritual care to be offered in a multicultural, multifaith environment?
- Philosophy of Supervision Paper. There are many different philosophies of supervision that come from the social sciences (such as didactic, therapeutic, and relational), as well as principles that come from the Bible. What is your belief system as far as to how supervision should be done,.
- Two cases of pastoral counseling
- Two cases of supervision of a trainee/supervisee

Education: List all formal and semi-formal and experiential training

- Theological training
- Ministerial training
- Social sciences training

Psychoemotional Assessment: Not Required, but encouraged.

- Psychological testing--- personality or temperament testing (PRF, Myers-Briggs, Taylor-Johnson, etc.) that has been taken and reviewed by a psychometrician.
- Psychotherapy sessions

Experiences relevant to supervision:

- Ministry and Management
- Educational
- Group Work/Mentoring
- Other

Ethics: Demonstrate understanding of, agreement with, and determination to abide by the CPSP-Philippines Ethical standards

Ministerial Role/Activity: CPSP-Philippines does not require ordination or ecclesiastical letters from a religious group or denomination. However, it is expected that all supervisors are actively involved in a faith community and in some way recognized as a ministering agent of that faith community.

Special Circumstances:

- If a Diplomate candidate is already a Diplomate (or equivalent) with another certifying body, this candidate who comes from a different certifying body, this person should have been supervised for at least one unit under a CPSP-PH supervisor. If a Diplomate candidate is not a Supervisor-in-Training (or equivalent) with a different certifying body, this person should have been supervised for at least two units under a CPSP-PH supervisor.
- Whenever possible, a Diplomate candidate should have been supervised (at basic CPE and/or SIT level) by two or more different supervisors.
- While not required, it is encouraged for a Diplomate to have had a one-year chaplaincy residency, especially if the anticipated work of the Diplomate is hospital based.

Board:

1. The board should consist of at least four members. Two of the board members, at a minimum, are diplomates with CPSP-Philippines in good standing.
2. The board will review all of the paperwork prior to the board, but will discuss all paperwork with the candidate during the board.
3. The board will also go through one “fresh” pastoral counseling case and one “fresh” supervisory case with the candidate (additional to the cases that were submitted prior to the board).
4. The board should take no less than 2 hours and no more than 4 hours
5. The board will submit a consensus finding to the Standards Committee and Board of Trustees for review.
6. The one(s) being reviewed should cover the travel expenses of those board members for travel and time investment in the board. If the board is online, it is not necessarily expected that such costs would exist. However, the board can decide if it is appropriate for a reasonable fee to be charged for the board.

Pre-Board Diplomate Checklist

Full Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Address _____

Contact _____

Not all of these are required. Rather, all items should be filled out for the purpose of evaluation.

Item	Yes	No	Comment
S.I.T. Units (5 minimum)			
Active member of CPSP-Philippines			
BCCC?			
Recommended by Supervisor			
Theological Integration Paper			
Philosophy of Supervision Paper			
Two cases of pastoral counseling			
Two cases of supervision			
Read/Concur with CPSP-PH Code of Ethics			

Education/Training	Schools/Programs	Level	Comments
Theological Training above Bachelor's Level			
Non-Theological Training Bachelor's Level or Higher			
Social Sciences Coursework/Seminars			

Basic CPE or SIT CPE?	Dates	Full/Half Unit	Training Center	Supervisor

Psychoemotional Assessment	Form of Assessment	Date and Location
Assessment Test(s)		
Therapeutic Sessions		
Self-assessment (optional)		

Religious Title/Role	Religious Organization/Denomination	Timeframe

Ministerial/ Professional/ Occupational Experience Relevant to Supervision	Organization	Timeframe

Additional Comments/Notes:

Diplomate Board Findings

Date/Time:

Location:

Board Members:

Review of Checklist:

Presentation of “Fresh” Counseling Case:

Presentation of “Fresh” Supervisory Case:

Comments:

Consensus Recommendations:

Signatures: _____
