Admission Requirements

Our higher diploma in Chaplaincy has been designed as a three-year course and those interested in the curriculum MUST meet the below requirements:

a) Students with pastoral or theological training
1. Must have attained a pass in their previous qualification
2. Must have at least 2 years relevant career training and experience

b) Students with non-theological background
1. KCSE mean grade of C+ and above or its equivalent, or high school certificate ‘A level’ with a minimum of two principal passes and one subsidiary or its equivalent, or a diploma from an accredited institution
2. A minimum 36 hours training in bridging courses in theological studies

Fee structure per semester

Application Fee (One off cost)
Ksh 1,000 (*Non-Refundable)

Admission Fee (One off cost)
Ksh 1,000 (*Non-Refundable)

Tuition & Boarding Fees - Ksh 45,000

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Tenwek Hospital

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Our History

The Tenwek Hospital International School of Chaplaincy was established in 1991 as the L. Nelson Bell Chaplaincy Training School. Dr. Ernie Steury, who was the first doctor to serve at the hospital, realized that the institution needed a full-time chaplain to serve alongside the dedicated medical team. However, there was no college or university offering training in chaplaincy and this gave birth to the idea of opening one at Tenwek Hospital.

Over 25 years later, the school has trained more than 200 students from various African nations including Rwanda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Uganda, Tanzania, Ghana, Madagascar, Nigeria, and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

In an effort to match to international standards, the school received accreditation from the Ministry of Education in 2011. The School has completely redesigned and upgraded the curriculum, and is currently pursuing further accreditation for post-graduate diploma courses.

Key Areas of Training and Service

Our curriculum has been meticulously designed to equip chaplains with the knowledge and skill to serve in a variety of settings and opportunities including but not limited to:

1. **Institutions** events like community trauma (multi-victim accident, murder, suicide, community clashes), terrorism events (bombings, riots, civil unrest), and natural disasters (floods, fires, earthquakes).

2. **Military and Public Security** like security and defense forces, administrative police, county police and prisons.

3. **Situational events** like community trauma e.g. multi-victim accidents, murders, suicides and community clashes. Terrorism events like bombings, riots or civil unrest and natural disasters such as floods, fire and earthquakes.

We therefore offer training in these specialized areas:

- **Healthcare Chaplaincy** Serving in environments of sickness, pain, birth, death - including Hospital and Hospice Chaplaincy.

- **Military Chaplaincy** Providing counseling and spiritual support for military personnel and families.

- **Police Chaplaincy** Providing counseling and spiritual support for police officers, employees and families.

- **Prison (or Correctional Ministry) Chaplaincy** Supporting inmates, officers and their families with counseling and spiritual care in men's and women's prisons, borstal institutions (youth offenders), rehabilitation schools and probation departments.

- **Educational Chaplaincy** Serving the spiritual needs of students, teachers, administrators, and support staff at all levels of education, from primary school to higher education.

The School of Chaplaincy upgraded and specialized curriculum will launch in September 2019.

Future program expansion is planned for additional courses in Institutional Chaplaincy, Corporate Chaplaincy, Public Safety Chaplaincy, Disaster Relief Chaplaincy and Sports Chaplaincy.