



South West Ministry Training Course

THEOLOGY FOR LIVING

# ENTRY LEVEL CHAPLAINCY COURSE

*This is a new course that is a first steps into Chaplaincy from SWMTC.*

**September 2024 - June 2025**

Ideal for those in Cornwall and Devon but open to all dioceses

For anyone considering chaplaincy lay or ordained, but equally for those who have just taken their first chaplaincy position or looking to move into this sector.

**An opportunity to explore chaplaincy in more depth through in person teaching and learning.**

The course involves no essay writing, instead we encourage you to keep a portfolio/journal throughout the course – adding in resources, reflections, and your personal journey. We also ask you to find a placement (could be your current context) in which to experience and observe chaplaincy in action. This could be a few hours a week or experienced as a two-week block – it is totally flexible. This could be different from your context if you are exploring different types of chaplaincies.

Throughout the course we are asking you to explore Where am I called? Key to this course is an opportunity for you to explore your calling and listen to God, in a creative learning environment. *This is an ongoing strand through the course, which we will be revisiting and reflecting upon in prayer and worship.*

## Overview

### Part 1 - An introduction to chaplaincy September/October sessions

- Welcome from SWMTC – finding our feet!
- **Context** – *Visible and inclusive presence.*
- **Collaborate Community**
- **Christ Centred** – *Prayer and scripture.*

### Part 2 - Developing a tool kit November/January/March/May

- **Connections and Communication**– *Listening skills, mental health, grief and bereavement and hope.*
- **Contemplation and Compassion** – *Reflective practice, peer supervision and self-care.*
- **Cross pollination** – *Sowing seeds, working with others, pioneering, planning, and rooting.*

### Part 3 – Where next? June

- **Cultivate Curiosity** – *Creative solutions, resilience, and mission.*
- **Confidence** - *Where next? Keeping in touch and the importance of connecting with others.*

### Delivery

It is delivered as part of a theological learning community by an experienced chaplain Revd Michele Kitto and guest speakers. Six in person Saturdays and one on zoom throughout the year.

**Plymouth Marjon University 10am - 4pm**

### Fee

£700

**Registration Form**

<https://forms.office.com/r/XFaE18DgF7>