

**Requirements
Emerson Theological Institute
Animal Chaplain Ordination Program
16 Semester Units**

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	Prerequisites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High School Diploma • Submission of Transcripts • Completed Student Enrollment Application • Payment of Fees 	Previous graduates of the Passmore Animal Chaplain Program will receive full credit for their verifiable completed training upon receipt of a student enrollment application and fees. Fee structure is \$90. per semester unit for Section A; \$75. per semester unit for Sections B/C/D. Entire program, including requirements, materials/admin fees & exam, is \$1675 for first time student enrollment; \$1625 for previously enrolled students. See "NOTE" for additional information.
Section A	Passmore Animal Chaplain Program (11 semester units)	The semester units in the Passmore Animal Chaplain Program create the foundation and framework required to create a capable and compassionate Animal Chaplain. The student will gain the practical experience necessary to be successful in the field coupled with the experiential experience that will add full and rich dimension to his or her work.
Section B	Humane Religious Studies (2 semester units)	Humane Religious Study courses are designed to raise awareness about animals from a moral, ethical or spiritual perspective and introduce concepts that critically examine those viewpoints. These courses will cover our spiritual relationship with animals and specifically address our relationship with them from those aforementioned perspectives.
Section C	Knowledge Courses (2 semester units)	Knowledge courses generally include texts that provide information about a specific concept, religion, philosophical idea or biography and include courses of study developed using themes of published books focusing on related beliefs. These courses will center around different spiritual perspectives and will include a focus on affirmative and appropriate prayer for the world's animals in a variety of settings.
Section D	Written Test with Professional Paper (1 semester unit)	Written test will be narrative, untimed and open book; Professional Paper is included. There is an examination fee of \$60 in addition to the semester unit fee.
Section E	Service Work/Internship	Upon completion of one (1) year of animal chaplaincy field/service work, the candidate will be eligible for ordination under the auspices of Emerson Theological Institute's Animal Chaplains, Inc. Humane Religious Studies Department Chair will review and determine eligibility and refer successful candidates for ordination.

NOTE: Those who have previously completed the Passmore Animal Chaplain Program, offered by the original author, and independent of Emerson, will receive credit for the 11 units already completed, but must complete the additional 5 semester units in sections B, C & D, to be credentialed by Emerson and to be eligible, if desired, for ordination upon completion of a one (1) year service internship. In these cases, credit will also be considered for already completed, verifiable service work. The completion of this program may also be credited toward a Bachelors, Masters or Doctoral degree in Humane Religious Studies but may not be applied to more than one Humane Religious Studies degree program. In addition to enrollment fees of \$100 for the program and \$50 for the first time enrollment fee (if applicable), a non-refundable \$100 materials fee is required at the time of enrollment to cover administrative and shipping charges for the program's manuals and study guides. Book(s) required for courses related to Section C may be purchased from an establishment of the student's choice. REV 4-4-09