Questions to ask at CPE Site Interviews

1. What is the philosophy of your CPE program? Your educational theory?

2. What are your program requirements and dates? What should I plan on in terms of time commitments? Do you require an overnight on-call? If so, how often?

3. What is your philosophy of individual supervision? What is your leadership approach in the group time?

4. How many students are typically in your program? What has been the general composition of the group (age, gender, religious affiliation, seminary affiliation, etc.)?

5. What makes your CPE program and site unique?

6. For sites providing students with Mentors as well as supervisors: What is the role of the chaplain Mentor vs. Supervisor?

7. What patient populations are offered within your CPE program (i.e. Children's Hospital, emergency room, drug & alcohol rehab, etc.)?

8. How are unit assignments determined?

9. What will I be doing? Can you describe a typical day?

10. What skills or awareness will the CPE experience bring to my ministry?

11. When do you begin accepting applications? What is your timetable for making a decision?