



## *Frequently Asked Questions*

### ***Why did CLU develop this program?***

Our brand new advising program was developed with the knowledge that becoming a CCLS is a lengthy and potentially stressful process. We know that students are in need of support along this journey and after years of assisting many along their path to certification, we decided to develop a program to help aspiring child life specialists feel in control and empowered as you navigate the path to child life. In keeping with Child Life United's mission to expand the growth of psychosocial care around the world, we want students to be excited about this impactful and meaningful career. You should feel like you have the tools to reach your ultimate goal of joining us as professionals...and we are here to help!

### ***Who is the program relevant for?***

The program is relevant for anyone that has not yet started their first child life position. Whether you are in high school and have just heard about child life, or you have completed your internship and are ready to sit for the exam, this program is right for you!

### ***What are the prerequisites?***

Due to the nature of this program, there are NO prerequisites.

### ***What does it cost?***

This program is \$300 for those that are not annual members of the [Child Life United Together Community](#). For Community members who have purchased the annual plan, the program is \$250.

Child Life United believes in equity and inclusivity and does not want finances to be a barrier of access for this program, therefore we are offering a needs based scholarship. If this applies to you, please check the box while completing the application.

### ***What is the time commitment?***

The cohort Q+A will be every Tuesday of the program from 7:00-8:00 pm EST. The small group/ advisory group will be organized with advisers based on each participant's availability. The 1x1 session each week will also be determined between the adviser and participant. Weekly time commitment will be ~ 4 hours per week. Each week there will be action items for students to

accomplish based on the topic that is covered. These will result in tangible outcomes that you can take with you well beyond the completion of the program.

***What topics will be covered?***

We will cover everything about the process of becoming a CCLS: the Certification Process, Supplemental Experience, Resume and Cover Letters, Interview Preparation and Support and Exam Prep. Throughout the experience we will provide continuous education on how to utilize the experience to the best of your advantage.

***What is the format?***

Each week we will have a different topic with a recorded webinar that is posted to facilitate the goals for the week. into the topic of the week. Following viewing of the webinar, the cohort will meet for a Q+A session facilitated by some of the advisers. Additionally, the advisers will host small group discussions and 1x1 sessions with each participant. Each week will have action items designed to assist you in your pursuit of the CL profession.

***How will my adviser be chosen?***

Advisory groups will be developed according to similar stages of the process to maximize program benefits for all members of the cohort. Advisory groups will be paired with a CCLS best suited to advise the group at hand.

