

# Course Exemptions

Completion of the following courses is mandatory, and requests for exemption from them will NOT be considered, regardless of previous studies completed elsewhere by the student:

**S204 Spiritualism in Canada**

**S301 Leadership**

**S302 Role of Pastor, Board and Workers – Relevant Laws**

**S304 Preparing Services**

**NOTE:** Exemptions for S307 Counselling and Referrals will be considered for licensed social workers, counsellors, and psychologists.

Students may apply to the Education Chair for possible exemption from courses (other than those indicated as mandatory) where they believe they have completed courses outside the SCC with similar content. All requests for exemptions are to be submitted with a fee equivalent to half of the regular course fee. Should the exemption be denied, the funds submitted with the request will be applied to the course fee when the student registers to take the course.

The Board of the SCC has the right to designate which courses within the Education Program that exemptions may be allowed and which courses will require mandatory completion with no possible consideration for exemption. The Education Chair will review requests for exemption from any given course and a preliminary assessment made. Should the Chair feel that the request sufficiently addresses the course content for which exemption is being sought, they will present the request on behalf of the student with a recommendation to the full Board for final decision.

All requests for exemption will require the following information at a minimum before being considered:

The name and number of the SCC course for which exemption is being requested. The name of the institution delivering the course that the student has previously completed.

The name, a full description of course content, dates of completion and method of completion for the course completed elsewhere.

The name and contact information for someone that may be contacted should there be any questions related to course content.

Requests for exemption will only be granted where the material contained in the SCC course has been sufficiently covered by the course already completed elsewhere by the student. Exemption from courses covering academic or historical aspects of Spiritualism will not be granted based on any amount of practical experience. Exemption must be granted solely on the basis that the Board is confident that the student possesses sufficient knowledge of the history, philosophy and/or methodology of the subject. Any applicant applying for exemption from any course may be required to take the Equivalency Exams set by the Board of Governors.