



# Catalyst Clemente Newcastle

## *The Dawning of Knowledge*



## Learning Partner Application Form

Please complete and sign this application form and forward it by post, fax or email to:

**Pamela Cathcart**  
**Catalyst Clemente Newcastle Coordinator**

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1 Farm St  
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**For Enquiries:** 0423 477 809  
**Email:** [pamelac@compasshousing.org](mailto:pamelac@compasshousing.org)

**Closing date for applications:** No current closing date. Please contact Pamela at any time.

### **The Application Process:**

Upon receipt of an application the Co-ordinator will contact the applicant to discuss the role of the Learning Partner and the current circumstances of Catalyst Clemente Newcastle.

Applicants will be placed on the 'Catalyst Clemente Newcastle Learning Partner List'. The number of Learning Partners required for any unit depends on the number of students. All Learning Partners will be notified prior to the commencement of each semester and invited to the 'Welcome Session' for that unit.



Sisters of St. Joseph,  
Lochinvar



# About Catalyst Clemente

At the heart of the Catalyst Clemente program is a deep respect for the person and a belief that education, particularly in the humanities, has the potential to empower people and transform lives by building self-esteem and confidence, and helping people to re-connect with others. It targets those who experience disadvantage and who for whatever reason feel disconnected and isolated from family and friends and society in general. Catalyst Clemente is about empowering people and building community by promoting social inclusion.

Catalyst Clemente is a community enterprise which works by promoting cross sector collaboration, seeking to embody in practice the social inclusion which is its goal.

## **Catalyst Clemente Values**

The person and their experience as a source of knowledge and wisdom;  
Learning;  
Education as a pathway to human and social transformation  
Partnership and collaboration;  
Service  
Community and the promotion of social inclusion;  
The right of all people to opportunities which offer hope;  
Relationship built on mutual respect and trust, integrity and justice;  
Hope ... for a new day.

## **Essential Criteria for Learning Partners**

- Computer literacy that enables you to assist with internet research and formatting of assignments;
- Readiness to work within the Values of the Catalyst Program;
- The ability to develop a rapport with students;
- Skills in encouraging personal development in others;
- Excellent verbal communication skills;
- Ability to interact and deal sensitively with clients from different backgrounds, and who may be dealing with a number of issues including homelessness, drug or alcohol addiction, and mental health problems;
- General research and library skills.

# Application Form – Confidential

## Personal Details

Name:

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Home Address:

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Postcode:

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Work Address:

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Email:

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Day Phone:

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After Hours:

Mobile:

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Fax Number:

Date of Birth:

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Male/Female

Emergency Contact Person Name:

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Emergency Contact Person Contact Number:

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# Employment and Work (?) Experience

Present Employer:

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Position/Title:

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Length of your employment to date:

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**List your educational and employment qualifications, the accrediting body/institution and the year granted.**

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**List any significant achievements in your professional career; memberships, committees, awards.**

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**List your main hobbies, personal and extracurricular activities.**

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**List details of any previous community involvement in last 3 years.**

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**How do you learn best?**

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**What attracted you to apply to be a Learning Partner for Catalyst Clemente Newcastle?**

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**What skills/qualities do you have to work as a Learning Partner with someone experiencing disadvantage and marginalisation?**

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**What can you offer the group? (personal attributes, skills, knowledge)**

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**What do you wish to gain from your participation in the Catalyst Clemente Newcastle Learning Partner Program?**

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# Program Participation

Learning Partners are required to attend the Learning Partner Welcome, all tutorial sessions and participate in activities and meetings related to the Catalyst Clemente Newcastle Program. You must be able to make this commitment.

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## COMMITMENT AGREEMENT

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I understand the objectives and time commitment required to complete the Catalyst Clemente Program. If I am selected I will attend and participate in all the sessions.

Signature:

Date:

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