Description:

Peachtree Road United Methodist Church is a 7,500 member congregation in the heart of Buckhead, Atlanta. Established in 1925, the church offers 6 worship services each Sunday and is actively engaged in outreach ministries that change lives both at home and abroad. The church’s music ministry is known for its excellence, and its programs with children, youth, and adults help participants grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Summer Intern Position
This placement offers an opportunity for the student to experience the full range of ministerial responsibilities in a large membership, traditional church: preaching, teaching, pastoral care, outreach, and administration. The student will regularly meet with the staff team to plan worship, gain an understanding of a systems approach to discipleship, and explore the skills needed for ministry in a local church. The size and scope of the setting allow the student to learn different areas of ministry and how they work together to strengthen the body of Christ.

Requirements:
1. Serve forty (40) hours a week in a supervised parish ministry setting for ten weeks during the summer.
2. Participate in a three day orientation seminar to be held May 13-15, 2015 and in a one week reflection seminar to be held August 17-21, 2015.
3. Participate in an online reflection group throughout the semester.
4. Participate in weekly meetings with a Ministry Internship Supervisor at Peachtree Road UMC.
5. Complete readings and written assignments as directed by the Faculty Internship Supervisor.

Students will receive:
1. An $8,000 grant that will be applied to the student’s Candler account.
2. Three academic credit hours that will count towards the Fall 2015 semester.
3. The opportunity for deeper formation in the practice of ministry.
4. On-site supervision and mentoring.
5. Faculty supervision.
6. Reflection group experience.
Instructions:
1. Write a 2-3 page essay on why you have chosen to apply for this internship, your vocational goals, the particular skills for ministry you intend to practice/experience, the specific issues of ministry that you intend to explore, and how this will deepen your leadership ability. Essays should be written in 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced with 1” margins on all four sides. Applicants will be interviewed by congregational leadership as a part of the process of selection.
2. Submit your proposal no later than 4:00 p.m., February 9, 2015, to: Debbie Riggs, Con Ed Coordinator, debra.l.riggs@emory.edu
3. Interviews will be conducted in early February 2015.
4. Questions may be directed to Dr. Thomas Elliott, Director of Ministry Internships. If you need to meet with Dr. Elliott, please call Debbie Riggs, Contextual Education Coordinator, to set up an appointment at 404.727.4178.