Candler School of Theology
Application for the
Advanced Summer Ministry Internship
in Congregational Leadership 2020
(CE545R)

Buechel United Methodist Church
Louisville, Kentucky
http://buechelchurch.org

Description:

Buechel United Methodist Church is a diverse, multi-ethnic church in Louisville, Kentucky. We worship in five languages: English, Spanish, Swahili, Burmese, and French, and average 150-200 people across 5 services. The church is not a white church that hosts other language groupings; instead we seek to have worship and leadership fully integrated. The English-speaking contingent is aging, and we’re seeking to invite younger English-speakers into the church. We have on average 50 children on a Sunday morning, almost all of whom Swahili is their first language.

Summer Intern Position:

Our hope for an intern would be that they would be interested in learning about a multi-ethnic, multi-site church and they would be included as a part of staff meetings and strategic planning. We would want their assistance in planning and implementing programing for our refugee children and families, as well as helping with outreach events to the community. They would be included in worship planning, the preaching rotation, and home visits to our immigrant and refugee families. Depending on their skill set and interests we have the ability for involvement in fundraising, partnering with our new non-profit, and helping grow our social media impact.

To learn more check out: https://www.facebook.com/buechelchurch/

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Requirements:

1. Serve forty (40) hours a week in a supervised parish ministry setting for ten weeks during the summer.
2. Participate in a two-day orientation seminar to be held May 18-19, 2020 and a reflection seminar to be held during August (term), August 10-14, 2020.
3. Participate in an online reflection group throughout the summer semester.
4. Participate in weekly meetings with a Ministry Internship Supervisor at your church. Complete readings and written assignments as directed by the Faculty Internship Supervisor.
Eligibility
Students who have successfully completed all of the requirements for Contextual Education I and are returning to Candler are eligible to participate. Students on academic probation or who have a hold on their Candler financial account are not eligible. Students participating in other summer programs at Candler or other outside settings are not eligible. Participants’ full time and attention must be given to the forty hours per week for ten weeks.

Participating Students will receive:

1. An $9000 grant will be awarded as follows only upon successful completion of the program: $3000 following the May orientation, $3000 for the Fall 2020 semester and $3000 for the Spring 2021 semester. Please Note: (If a student is within $2,999 of the maximum threshold for scholarships and loans for the 2019-2020 academic year ($49,328) their summer stipend will be processed as a taxable payroll check which will require the submission of a W-9 and direct deposit request form.
2. Three academic credit hours that will count towards the Fall 2020 semester.
3. The opportunity for deeper formation in the practice of ministry.
4. On-site supervision and mentoring and intentional reflection group experience.

Application Instructions:

1. Write a 1-2 page essay on why you have chosen to apply for this internship, your vocational goals, your particular skills for ministry or the things you would like 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).
2. Submit your essay along with your resume no later than 4:00 p.m., February 28, 2020 to Carmen Toussaint in the Office of Contextual Education at carmen.toussaint@emory.edu.
3. Applicants will be contacted by congregational leadership as a part of the process of selection. Interviews will be conducted beginning early March 2020.
4. Questions may be directed to Carmen Toussaint, Senior Program Coordinator, Office of Contextual Education. If you need to meet with Dr. Elliott, Director of Internships, please email carmen.toussaint@emory.edu to set up an appointment.