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

Central Texas Conference
Fort Worth, TX

Description:
The Central Texas Conference invites you to apply for a new advanced summer ministry internship opportunity in Fort Worth, Texas. CTC is forming a cohort of 3-5 seminary students from different United Methodist related seminaries who will serve in local congregations and other ministries in the greater Fort Worth area. These students will serve an individual ministry context while also engaging in cohort activities with the other students selected for the program. The cohort experience will focus around intentional reflection and conversation with one another about similarities and differences in their experiences of theological training and ministerial formation. Leadership for the cohort would be provided by Rev. Paul Massingill, the Coordinator of Campus Ministry & Emerging Leaders for the Central Texas Conference.

Summer Intern Position
Those selected for this summer program will serve in a local ministry context that includes a mentoring pastor, team of laypersons for oversight and support, and specific ministry roles and responsibilities for the summer. Specific ministry contexts are still being finalized, though the expectation is that a variety of settings – urban, suburban, rural; local church and extension ministry – will be included in the program. Students are strongly encouraged to share specific ministry interests during the application and interview process, and every effort will be made to place students in ministry contexts in line with their interests. Students will receive housing and a stipend of $9,000. Cohort diversity and student interest in exploring future ministry as part of the Central Texas conference will be strong considerations in selection for the summer program.

To find out more about the Central Texas Conference, visit our website at ctcumc.org. If you have specific questions regarding this summer opportunity, please email Rev. Paul Massingill at PaulMassingill@ctcumc.org. Rev. Massingill will also be on campus at Candler on Thursday, February 6th and available for further conversation about this summer opportunity.

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.
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.

Participating Students will receive:
1. A $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.toussant@emory.edu to set up an appointment.