Candler School of Theology  
Application for the  
Advanced Summer Ministry Internship  
in Congregational Leadership 2017  
(CE545R)  

Impact Church  
http://www.impactdoingchurchdifferently.org

Description:

The story of Impact Church begins with our lead pastor’s vision of a place where people of all backgrounds can come simply to be and connect with others without judgment. Our faces are the ones Olu Brown saw the day that he peered through the window of Brown Middle School. Along with other founding attendees of Impact, Olu dared to believe God for the impossible, time and time again.

We developed core values of service, prayer, honesty, community, compassion and economic development. Impact became a place committed to building relationships before membership, to giving 10% of its revenue to other nonprofits, and to insisting on more flexible operating processes. Within our first year we added a second worship experience.

As God continues to bless Impact with unprecedented, phenomenal growth (#56 of 2016’s 100 fastest growing churches in the United States, “Outreach Magazine”), we continue to meet God in the places to which God calls - more experiences, larger facility, more sites, greater impact.

Summer Intern Position:
Impact Church is seeking a creative, self-motivated and ambitious summer intern who is interested in learning all aspects of the local church and surrounding community. Our intern will be able to receive ground level training and exposure in areas of leadership and development; pastoral care; administration; finance; marketing, media and worship design. The intern will be responsible for helping Impact continue to reach people via 21st century innovative and strategic methods through social media, marketplace relationship building, small groups and large group worship. Our intern will have a unique opportunity to add value to Impact Church as well as Impact Church offering the intern a tremendous opportunity to partner their academic journey with practical application and development in a thriving local church context.

The intern must be flexible, adaptive and able to work in a creative and collaborative environment.
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 16-17, 2018 and a two-day reflection seminar to be held during August (term), 13-15, 2018.
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.

Students will receive:
1. an $8,000 grant that will be applied to the student’s Candler account ($2,000 for living expenses and $6,000 to go on the student account).
2. three academic credit hours that will count towards the Fall 2018 semester (This will be your August-term class.)
3. the opportunity for deeper formation in the practice of ministry.
4. on-site supervision and mentoring.
5. faculty supervision.
6. 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 12:00 noon, February 28, 2018 to Dr. Elliott in the Office of Contextual Education.
3. Applicants will be contacted by congregational leadership as a part of the process of selection. Interviews will be conducted beginning early April 2018.
4. Questions may be directed to Dr. Thomas Elliott, Jr., Director of Ministry Internships. If you need to meet with Dr. Elliott, please email thomas.elliott@emory.edu for an appointment.