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

Christ Church United Methodist Church
Louisville, Kentucky
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Description:
Christ Church is a 3,300 member suburban United Methodist Congregation located in Kentucky’s largest city, Louisville. This flagship church has strong worship, music, and age level ministries. In the last decade of its fifty-eight-year history it has begun to develop an emphasis on outreach and justice both locally and internationally. Understanding that the culture in which Christianity operates is changing in North America the church staff and lay leadership are leading this traditional congregation to make a shift from a culture of institutional maintenance to missional priority.

Summer Intern Position:
Interns will have the unique chance to contribute to this leadership process and to learn from a healthy church’s best practices that will shape their own future service in the church. Students may choose to have a broad exposure to all the aspects of local church ministry and administration or she/he may design their own initiative that will contribute to this desired cultural change in this vital congregation.

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 15-16, 2019 and a two-day reflection seminar to be held during August (term), 15-16, 2019.
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. An $9000 grant will be awarded as follows only upon successful completion of the program: $2000 following the May orientation, $3500 for the Fall 2019 semester and $3500 for the Spring 2020 semester.

Please Note: (If a student is within $1,999 of the maximum threshold for scholarships and loans for the 2018-2019 academic year ($48,406) 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 2019 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, 2019 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 2019.

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.