Candler School of Theology
Application for the
Advanced Summer Ministry Internship
in Congregational Leadership 2019
(CE545R)

Three Positions Available

North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church
Center for Congregational Excellence
Atlanta, GA
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Description:
The North Georgia Conference’s Center for Congregational Excellence has a rich history of starting new churches over the last 30 plus years. A variety of strategies have been employed to create these new places for new people from Vital Mergers like Neighborhood Church in Candler Park, to parachute drops with members seeded from other local congregations like Impact Church on Sylvan Road in Atlanta. We have various placements available in brand new churches that are still worshipping in schools, like The Fountain in Johns Creek to more established new churches that have created 2nd campuses of their own, like The Vine at Chateau Elan and Flowery Branch, or a multi-ethnic new church like The Nett in Gwinnett County with two campuses with a third opening soon. Quest in Grovetown, near Augusta Georgia is one of our fastest growing churches and offers another opportunity to learn in a non-metro Atlanta setting.

Summer Intern Position
This placement offers an opportunity for the student to experience life in a growing church with creative and innovative approaches to evangelism, hospitality, preaching, teaching, outreach, and administration. The student will regularly meet with the staff team to plan worship, gain an understanding of a systems approach to church planting, and explore the skills needed to reach new people, especially the unchurched and the de-churched. Placements would be with one particular new church start, but intentional visits and teaching from other nearby new churches would be part of the learning experience.

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. 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 $1,999 of the maximum threshold for scholarships and
   loans for the 2019-2020 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 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.