

Candler School of Theology

**Application for the
Advanced Summer Ministry Internship
in Chaplaincy (CE545R)**

First UMC of Panama City, FL

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Description:

First United Methodist Church of Panama City is located on the beautiful Gulf Coast in the Florida panhandle, where we welcome millions of visitors each year. We are blessed to live where you vacation! We have three worship services on Sunday morning, two in our Sanctuary and one in our Community Life Center, and we average around 350 in attendance each week. We have a strong and vibrant age-level ministry and are involved in missions locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally in a variety of ways.

Summer Intern Position:

First United Methodist Church of Panama City, Florida is offering a placement for an Advanced Summer Ministry Internship (AMSI), 10 week practical immersion in ministry experience for 2023. This experience will provide opportunities for the whole of pastoral ministry, with particular emphasis on student ministry.

The experience will include participation in week-long youth mission experience in Kentucky, helping in the church-wide Vacation Bible School for approximately 150 children, involvement in our three-day community wide "Back to School" event, and taking part six specific day-long activities for youth. Members of our staff, as well as parents and other volunteers from our congregation, will be present for all of these events as well. (Specific dates for student ministry events/programs attached).

In addition to the student ministry activities and events, there will be opportunities for those who desire to preach in worship, make pastoral care calls to local hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living facilities and to home bound members. You will take part in our weekly staff meeting with the 12 full-time staff members of our church. Our typically work week includes Sunday mornings from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm, and Monday through Thursday, 8:30-4:30 pm. Flexibility in hours is given when there is time outside of normal business hours worked for church related activities and events. Housing will be provided.

As part of the program, you will also take part in the reflection and supervision components to complete the internship, as well as other requirements set by Candler School of Theology.

Schedule of Student Ministry Events – Summer 2023

May 31 – Final Wednesday Night Student Programming for Spring 2023

June 3-8 – Student Ministry Trip to Kentucky

June 10-15- Vacation Bible School

June 22 – Mini Golf at Panama City Beach

June 27 – Sunset Worship on Panama City Beach

July 9 – Pool Part

July 18 – Go-Cart Racing – Panama City Beach

July 25 – Rising 6th Grader Event

July 30-August 2 – Community Student Ministry Week

Requirements:

1. Serve forty (40) hours a week in a supervised ministry setting for ten weeks during the summer.
2. Participate in a two-day orientation seminar to be held May 9-10, 2023 and a reflection seminar to be held during August (term), August 7-11, 2023.
3. Participate in an online reflection group throughout the summer semester.
4. Participate in weekly meetings with a Ministry Internship Supervisor at your setting. 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 2023 semester and \$3000 for the Spring 2024 semester.

Please Note: (If a student is within **\$2,999** of the maximum threshold for scholarships and loans for the 2022-2023 academic year (\$56,600) 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 2023 semester. You will be enrolled in CE 545R for A-Term. This is the only A-Term class you can enroll in.
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, 2023 to Carmen Toussaint in the Office of Contextual Education at carmen.toussaint@emory.edu.
3. Applicants will be contacted by Clergy at FUMC at Panama City, FL as a part of the process of selection. Interviews will be conducted beginning Mid-March 2023.
4. Questions may be directed to Carmen Toussaint, Senior Program Coordinator, Office of Contextual Education. Questions may be directed to Dr. Thomas W. Elliott, Jr. at Thomas.elliott@emory.edu.