

Summer Pastoral Ministry Internship Program

INTERN APPLICATION



The Office of Clergy Excellence, a Connectional Ministry of the Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church, sponsors the Summer Pastoral Ministry Internship Program. This program is for young adults, ages 18-26, who are interested in exploring ordained ministry through 10-week summer internships at United Methodist Churches and other approved extension ministry settings within the Florida Conference. These internships seek to provide a holistic, hands-on experience in pastoral ministry within a variety of areas of responsibility and under the guidance of a supervisor.

Internship Dates	Monday, May 29, 2017 through Friday, August 4, 2017
Intern Training Day	Friday, May 26, 2017 (Students and Supervising Pastors)
Intern Reflection Day	Monday, August 7, 2017 (Students Only)
Hours	30 hours/week as scheduled with Supervising Pastor
Housing	Provided in congregant's home, if needed
Salary	\$3,000.00 (\$1,500. host site, \$1,500. Office of Clergy Excellence)

Responsibilities of Intern

- Fulfill the terms of the internship (assigned leadership role, tasks, work hours, etc.)
- Provide own transportation and meal costs, as well as any personal expenses

Responsibilities of Supervising Pastor/Minister

- Meet weekly with intern for supervision and reflection
- Provide intern with a wide variety of tasks in ministry
- Allow intern to have hands-on experience, with regular feedback in preaching, teaching, worship leadership, pastoral care, administration, and outreach/mission
- Support the intern's vocational discernment

Responsibilities of Host Site

- Provide adequate housing and utilities for intern's 10-week program
- Contribute \$1,500.00 to the intern's stipend

Responsibilities of Office of Clergy Excellence

- Contribute \$1,500.00 to the intern's stipend
- Train interns and supervisors before the program start date— **Friday, May 26, 2017 from 10am to 3pm at the Conference Office in Lakeland.**
- Lead a reflection day for interns at the conclusion of the program— **Monday, August 7, 2017 from 10am to 3pm at the Conference Office in Lakeland.**



PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Email Address _____ Phone Number _____

Mailing Address _____

College/University (if applicable) _____ Expected graduation date _____

MINISTRY INVOLVEMENT

Church Membership _____

Campus Ministry (if applicable) _____

Describe your involvement in your local church, campus ministry, or other ministries, as well as any other ministry leadership experience.

Please list two people and their contact information—pastors, campus ministers, or ministry leaders who know you well—as your references.

What track of ordained ministry are you considering? ☐ Elder ☐ Deacon ☐ Unsure

Why are you considering a calling and career in pastoral ministry?

How would you describe your level of certainty about having a call to ordained ministry?

☐ Definitely certain ☐ Fairly certain, but unsure of some of the specifics ☐ Uncertain

How would this internship help you to gain clarity about your call?

INTERNSHIP PLACEMENT INFORMATION

If you are selected as an intern, we will be placing you in one of the available ministry settings for the summer. We want to know more about you and your background as we select the best possible setting for you.

Primary language _____ Other languages you speak _____

Ethnicity _____ Are you interested in a cross-cultural ministry setting? _____

Would you be most interested in a rural, suburban, or urban ministry setting? _____

Why? _____

What are your gifts for ministry? _____

What are you most passionate about in ministry? _____

What skills in ministry would you most like to develop during this internship? _____

Describe your current spiritual practice. What nurtures your relationship with God, self, and neighbor?

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please return your completed application via email or mail by **April 30, 2017**.

EMAIL hfinley@flumc.org or sara.mckinley@flumc.org

MAIL Office of Clergy Excellence, 450 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave, Lakeland, FL 33815

Intern Training Day will be Friday, May 26, 2017 at the Florida United Methodist Center, 450 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave, Lakeland, FL 33815, from 10 am to 3 pm, and will include lunch. *This will be for Students and Supervising Pastors.*

Intern Reflection Day will be Monday, August 7, 2017 at the Florida United Methodist Center, 450 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave, Lakeland, FL 33815, from 10 am to 3 pm, and will include lunch. *This will be for Students only.*

Do you have any dietary needs and/or restrictions? _____

If you have questions, please contact Holly Finley or Rev. Sara McKinley at the email addresses listed above or by phone at 863-688-5563, ext 134.