

**Mentored Internship**

**Fall 2021**

**North Ridge Church**

#### **What is a MENTORED INTERNSHIP?**

Mentored Internship courses enable students to gain practical ministry experience in various areas of ministry under the supervision of a Field Mentor. The mentor and the student work together to develop a ‘personalized’ experience in the ministry organization.

This course is designed for students to pursue an opportunity to participate in a ministry internship through their local church or a ministry organization. This internship can focus on a variety of ministry areas. The student is responsible to fill out the Mentored Internship application prior to being approved and registered for this class. A graduate student can take this course (PMN7900) up to three times and gain a maximum of 9 credit hours and a college student can take the undergrad version of this course (MIN4900) up to four times and gain a maximum of 12 credit hours through Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary or the College at Southeastern. For complete information on Southeastern, certificates and degrees, tuition and fee, etc. go to https://www.sebts.edu

#### **Why a MENTORED INTERNSHIP?**

1. **Spiritual Formation** Develop the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue an authentically Christian way of life, manifested by trust in God, obedience to Christ’s commands, and love of God and neighbor.
2. **Biblical Exposition** Develop the ability to properly and effectively interpret, apply, and communicate the Scriptures.
3. **Theological Integration** Develop the ability to understand and apply the doctrines of Christianity to life and ministry.
4. **Ministry Preparation** Develop the knowledge, skills, and Christian disposition necessary for ministry and leadership in the church and the world.
5. **Critical Thinking and Communication** Develop the ability to think critically, argue persuasively, and communicate clearly.
6. **Practice the Way of Jesus** Reorganize your life around three goals: be with Jesus, become like Jesus, do what Jesus did.

**Course Description**

**OBJECTIVES**

The student and the mentor will collaborate to develop an overall goal and specific objectives to reach that goal relative to the area of ministry experience the student is seeking.

**ASSIGNMENTS (per 3 credit hours)**

* **Ministry Involvement**
  + The student will be involved in a **minimum of four (4) hours of ministry per week**
    - These hours do not include mentorship meetings.
* **Writing**
  + The student will complete **a minimum of 12 pages of writing** as follows:
    - The assigned writing will be related to the ministry experience, reading, and/or mentorship (i.e., a ministry reflection paper, book review, sermon lesson/manuscript, research paper, position paper, curriculum, etc.)
    - The writing assignment(s) totals a minimum of 12 pages.
    - Due dates will be reflected in the Course Schedule.
* **Reading**
  + The student will complete a **minimum of 800 pages** of reading that includes, but is not limited to the following categories:
    - Spiritual Formation
    - Ministry Concentration: Each student will read the remaining pages from works applicable to the focus of his or her Mentored Internship. For example:
* Pastoral Ministry
* Student Ministry
* Discipleship/Community Group Ministry
* Worship Ministry
* Due dates for these books should be set by the Mentor and reflected in the Course Schedule.
* **Mentorship**
* The mentor and student(s) will meet in person and equal no less than **14 hours of face-time spread over the course of the semester** (minimum of 12 weeks).