



Young Adult Ministry Internship, Part-time 1-year

Opportunity: This internship will experience a wide range of ministry training in one's ability to lead, plan, teach, disciple, and serve a crucial age group of society—young adults, ages 18-29. The intern will primarily grow in his skills in the context of an exciting generation of young adults, as well as experience in other church ministries and leadership development. Most of his experience will be with the Director of Student and Family Ministries, but will also experience other non-youth ministry responsibilities such as hospital visits, wedding and funeral services, staff meetings, church-wide events, specialized leadership development, and time with pastors and staff will invest in them through the year.

Classification: Part-time, 25 hours per week

Time Frame: 1 year from start of internship, with possible additional months and/or a second year of internship.

Reports To: Director of Student and Family Ministries

Works With: Volunteer leaders, Administrative Assistant

General Purpose: This intern will create and sustain an environment of spiritual growth and fellowship for Young Adults (ages 18-29), including the group we call "Grace Grads" (college students who have grown up at Grace, but may not be involved in campus ministries). This role focuses upon discipleship of young adults, organizing social events and retreats, and developing community with other young adults in the Peoria area. This position also keeps in touch with college students from Grace who live outside of Peoria through e-mail, phone, and social media. During Christmas break and summer, this position helps to coordinate Grace Grads Sundays, including volunteers who can lead and teach. This position's main goal is to help equip young adults and Grace Grads to live as faithful disciples of Christ.

Key Areas of Responsibility:

1. Equipping leaders to disciple and connect with young adults. This is done through training, resourcing, e-mails, and one-on-one conversations.
2. Coordinating with staff and pastors to make sure there are community groups for Grace Grads and young adults, promoting these groups.
3. Working with volunteer leaders and young adults to plan and carry out social events and retreats.
4. Keeping parents of Grace Grads updated on plans, especially during winter and summer break.

5. Meeting with the Director of Youth Ministries weekly to plan, discuss, and prepare for upcoming retreats or events.
6. Coordinating with the Director of Youth Ministries on helping high school seniors transition well into the next stage of life.
7. Connecting with young adults through e-mail, social media, texting, and in person.
8. Looking for and participating in local outreach and community involvement. Looking for opportunities for the young adults to get involved and grow in their service and outreach, especially in partnership with what our church is doing.
9. Personally discipling 1 or 2 young adults or grace grads of the same gender.
10. Working with administrative assistants to coordinate payments, registrations, and events.

Qualifications:

- Has a heart for college students and young adults; desire to spur them towards Christ.
- Has a personal story of relationship with Christ.
- Loves the Lord, actively seeking Him in daily decisions and working to grow in Him.
- Willing to abide by the doctrine of the church.
- A growing demonstration of the biblical standards for leadership in Scripture (1 Timothy 3:1-11; Titus 1:5-9).
- Previous experience with young adults is preferred.
- Bachelor's degree or some level of schooling is preferred
- Good relationships with other people, humble, teachable, encouraging, and a
- Demonstrated team player
- Good administrative, coordinating, communication, and delegating abilities.
- Reliable, trustworthy, hard worker, seeking to get things done efficiently and effectively.
- Self-starter, takes initiative.
- Basic ability to accurately handle God's Word and convey His truth to students, and willingness to learn more about teaching.
- Actively seeking to promote the direction and unity of the overall church.
- Willing to attend Grace faithfully on Sunday mornings during the internship.
- Capacity to coordinate other part-time work or schooling with the work at Grace.