INTERNSHIPS @ GRACE CHAPEL FAQ

WHAT IS THE GRACE CHAPEL SUMMER INTERNSHIP?

Grace Chapel's Internship has four components: community, instruction, mentoring and ministry experience. GC interns will assimilate into a cohort of peers that is committed to learning, being mentored and serving in ministry. This is an opportunity to learn from some of the most seasoned ministry leaders in New England! Interns will participate in the day-to-day activities of church staff culture, stretch yourself as a project developer, while spending some time discovering and discerning.

WHAT AGE IS IDEAL FOR GRACE CHAPEL'S SUMMER INTERNSHIP?

The ideal life stage for a student considering an internship with Grace Chapel is someone who is pursuing a college degree or in graduate school.

WHAT EXPERIENCE WILL I GAIN AS A GC SUMMER INTERN?

As a GC Intern you will gain valuable experience in three primary areas: working on projects, developing ministry specific skills (teaching, learning computer programs, project management etc.) and thriving in a team environment.

GC SUMMER INTERNS WILL GAIN EXPERIENCE IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- Have access to GC staff meetings-get behind the scenes insight on what makes GC tick
- Participate in weekly spiritual formation sessions and leadership labs
- Serve during Sunday services and mid-week programming.
- Be mentored by someone a little further down the road than you.
- Attend leadership networking gatherings.

WHAT MINISTRY DEPARTMENTS CAN AN GC SUMMER INTERN PARTICIPATE IN?

Each intern will focus on one of the following ministry areas: Worship Arts, <u>Children's</u> <u>Ministry</u>, <u>Student Ministry</u>, <u>Missions</u>, Communications, Finance, Events/Operations & <u>Young</u> <u>Adult Ministries</u>. While writing your cover letter, please let us know the top two departments you would like to work in and why. All interns will report to <u>Andrew Breton</u>, Pastor of Middle School Ministries & Internships. GC Intern will also work directly with and be mentored by a ministry department head in their ministry focus. Interns will interact with <u>Bryan Wilkerson</u> (Senior Pastor), <u>Bill Burke</u> (Executive Pastor), and <u>other staff pastors</u> during staff meetings and special gatherings.

WHAT IS THE PRIMARY GOAL OF GC INTERNSHIP?

The GC internship is a training ground for Christian leaders. During your internship, you will accumulate valuable experience, mentors, and knowledge that will prepare you for stepping into wherever God calls you next. Our desire is that your internship will give you the experience and training you need to take your next steps in living a life that matches your unique gifts with God's specific purpose for your life.

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS ARE YOU LOOKING FOR IN INTERNS?

Previous ministry and leadership experience is preferred and specific experience in the desired ministry focus area is certainly favored. We also look for people who would like to explore their calling to ministry and/or have a desire to work at the church. We are big believers in self-starters who are able to take responsible action and add value to our teams.

CAN I RECEIVE CREDIT FOR MY INTERNSHIP?

Some schools offer credit for internship experiences. You will need to contact the registrar and see if this program enables you to receive credit.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

Send a resume and cover letter to submit to internship@grace.org addressed to Andrew Breton.

HOW LONG WILL THE APPLICATION PROCESS TAKE?

Upon receiving your resume and cover letter, we will schedule one or two interviews to get to know you better. We hope to make Summer 2017 Intern placements in March 2017.

DOES GC PROVIDE HOUSING INTERNS?

GC does not guarantee housing for summer interns. While the church will do everything we can to help you have a positive experience, it is the student's responsibility to secure housing.

IS GC INTERNSHIP PART-TIME OR FULL-TIME?

Summer interns are committed to 30 to 40 hours a week and are paid an hourly wage. Days and hours are determined based on the ministry you intern with.

CAN I SEEK OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT?

Absolutely! It is our expectation that most, if not all, interns will secure outside employment. We ask, however, that ministry expectations and time requirements take precedent over outside work schedules.

DO I NEED TO HAVE A CAR?

Yes, you will be responsible for your own transportation.

IS EVERYONE AUTOMATICALLY ACCEPTED?

We have a limited number of available internship spots each year.

HOW BIG IS THE COHORT OF SUMMER INTERNS?

10-12

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR IN PROSPECTIVE INTERNS?

We are looking for people who are relational, teachable, flexible and emotionally healthy. We are looking for people who are looking for ways to grow in their faith and put forth their gifts and talents to God's Kingdom work. These people have tremendous character, possess a great work ethic and work well in teams.