



PCI INTERN SCHEME



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CONGREGATIONAL INTEREST FORM

A one year programme providing opportunities to discover and develop a young person's leadership potential whilst serving in a PCI congregation.

WHAT?

A 12 month programme that is focused on developing young leaders while placing them within a local congregational setting to contribute to the ministry there. This opportunity includes quality training for the individual through a specific ministry related course and a monthly training day alongside other Interns. Congregations are welcome to express their interest in facilitating a placement for one of the participants on the programme. There are up to six spaces available for participants and we will seek to match successful applicants with an appropriate placement.

WHY?

We want to invest in, equip and release young leaders into our church and culture. We are providing these opportunities first and foremost to develop fresh and future leaders within our denomination, and secondly to resource the work of congregations at a local level.

WHO?

This opportunity is for individuals who display a passion for God, a heart for the church, a willingness to learn and have gifts to contribute. Placement congregations should have a focus and aim to develop and walk alongside a younger leader as they explore their gifting. Applicants should be committed to Christ, aim to reflect Him through their life and demonstrate competency in some areas of ministry.

WHEN?

The programme will run from September 2017 to August 2018 on a part time basis of up to 25 hours per week, equating to approximately 8 sessions of service each week. A weekly schedule will be agreed between applicants and congregations before ministry placements commence.

HOW?

Each applicant will be matched with a ministry placement within a local congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. They will be line managed locally, while being supported by PCI's Discipleship Development Officer, who will oversee all participants. This is an unpaid scheme, providing participants with training, support, resources and the opportunity to gain valuable experience. Agreed expenses will be reimbursed for purchases incurred through the placement.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

IS THIS A PAID SCHEME?

Participants in the scheme do so in an unpaid capacity. No payments will be made to Interns. Out of pocket expenses including transport, food and resources will be reimbursed upon submission of receipts. Participants will have the opportunity to participate in a ministry training course agreed in advance which will be covered through the scheme. Congregations will pay £200 to CCLW to cover costs.

CAN THEY WORK ALONGSIDE THE PROGRAMME?

Participants are welcome to support themselves financially by seeking part-time work alongside the programme, provided they are still able to participate fully in their agreed placement activities.

HOW MANY SPACES ARE AVAILABLE AND WHO CAN APPLY?

We have up to six spaces available. Applicants should be over 18 and a member of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Congregations must be willing and able to focus on the leadership development of the applicant.

IS IT ESSENTIAL TO PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION?

The provision of accommodation for the participant is not a pre-requisite for applying. However in certain circumstances accommodation may be made available depending on the nature and geography of the placement in relation to the applicant's home.

HOW WILL THE TIME BE SPENT?

This scheme is open to a wide variety of placements including youth ministry, children's ministry, pastoral care, music ministry, outreach or community work. This is all dependent on the key focus a placement congregation wishes to offer and provide. As well as tasks and programmes within the placement congregation, the programme should also include time dedicated to personal growth, structured training, mentoring and preparation.

CONTACT

To apply to become a host placement for participants on the scheme, please return the completed congregational interest form to:

Intern Scheme
Congregational Life and Witness
Presbyterian Church in Ireland
Assembly Buildings
2-10 Fisherwick Place
Belfast
BT1 6DW

Please return by Friday, 28th April 2017.

We will then contact you with further details on the next stage of the process.

For further information contact the Congregational Life and Witness office on +44 (0)28 9032 2284 or email clw@presbyterianireland.org

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CONGREGATIONAL DETAILS

Name of congregation: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Presbytery: _____

CONTACT PERSON

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Position within the congregation: _____

Tell us about your congregation:

Tell us why you are interested in receiving an intern:

Tell us how you currently grow leaders in your congregation:

Tell us what an intern's primary focus will be in your congregation or context:

Tell us how your congregation will invest in an intern:

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____