Part-Time Church Planting Internships

The part-time church planting intern program is an opportunity for students to gain hands-on experience in evangelism, small group dynamics, and leadership development as related to church planting.

- Students involved in regional church plants.
- Can live on the field and commute to school or travel to the field on the weekends.
- If desired, students can participate in internships during the summer.
- Part-time internships are open to any Southern Baptist who is a student of Southern Seminary or Boyce College.
- A limited number of internships are available per semester.
- Internships are for 13 weeks. Interns receive a stipend of $150 per week. Conventions often provide more funds for students who travel long distances and stay during the weekends.
- It is possible to obtain Applied Ministry credit.
- Students must have completed or be taking a church planting course.
- Interns are jointly approved by the SBTS Church Planting Center and the local field.
- Interns must devote 15-20 hours per week to the internship.
- Missionary opportunities are available in various locations in both Kentucky and throughout the rest of North America.
- A part-time internship is required before any student can be eligible to be appointed as a two year Nehemiah Church Planter with the North American Mission Board.
- The internship is a partnership between NAMB, SBTS, conventions, associations, and local churches. All the partners must be involved and supportive of the internship before the student can begin.

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How the Part-time Church Planting Internship Works

“The single most effective evangelistic methodology under heaven is planting new churches.” – C. Peter Wagner

Initial Discovery Meeting:
Interested students meet with Dr. J.D. Payne to discuss their interest and learn about the internship. Following the meeting, students complete an on-line application with the North American Mission Board.

Assessment:
After completing an application, students are invited to participate in an assessment workshop. The workshop is intended to help students see how their calling, gifts, talents, and abilities can work in church planting.

The Church Planting Center sponsors these workshops two times a year (fall and spring).

Classroom Training:
The Billy Graham School offers courses in church planting which are taught in the Summer, Fall, and January terms. Students interested in participating in an internship must be taking or have completed a church planting course.

Field Training:
During the thirteen-week internship, all church planting interns will be assigned a trained mentor on the field who will provide guidance and counsel. The field training is primarily structured for students to gain experience in personal evangelism, small group dynamics, and leadership development as related to church planting.