



Urban Ministry Track Internship Requirements (Ordained/Non-Ordained)

Description & Objective: The Urban Ministry Track equips emerging leaders with missional tools of gospel apologetics and witness to make and multiply disciples in the complex cultural dynamics of the city and metropolitan region.

Among many disciplines, students will:

- capture a theology of God's heart for the city
- learn to exegete the city for gospel engagement
- grow in cultural competencies
- integrate healthy rhythms for ministry resiliency

The Urban Ministry Track emphasizes wholistic (Word-deed) manifestations of gospel witness in works of mercy, justice and community development, and in building beloved communities of reconciliation through the church so that Christ, who comes powerful in word and deed (Luke 24:19), might be known.

The MBS Urban Ministry Track equips leaders for strategic roles on a church staff or non-profit mission, in their witness as citizens in the public square, or in serving under-resourced communities. The MBS Urban Ministry Track can also equip those called to an ordained, teaching-pastoral ministry in an urban missional context.

The Urban Ministry Track of MBS is sponsored and led by BALM staff. (BALM-Baltimore Antioch Leadership Movement exists to develop and multiply Christ-centered, cross-cultural leaders for disciple-making movements. www.baltimoremovement.org)

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| Urban Ministry Track | Student _____ Academic Year _____ | Hrs Req | Hrs At Start | Sum | Fall | Wtr | Spr | Total To Date |
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| | Description of Work to be Completed | | | | | | | |
| Urban Ministry Cohort Learning | | | | | | | | |
| Theology of the City (1 year) | Through interactive readings (<i>Urban Ministry</i> by Conn & Ortiz), cohort discussions, field visits, and guest leaders, students learn a theology of the gospel for the city. (w/Deans of Urban Ministry/BALM staff –2 nd Saturdays) | 48 | | | | | | |
| Context of the City (1 year) | Through interactive readings, cohort discussions, field visits, and guest leaders, students develop a working understanding of urban contextualization, demographic research and cultural exegesis for fruitful gospel application. Topics include the challenges of the urban family, education, economics, housing, youth, incarceration, chemical dependency, etc. and effective gospel engagement. (w/Deans of Urban Ministry/BALM staff –2 nd Saturdays) | 48 | | | | | | |
| Church in the City (1 year) | Through interactive readings, cohort discussions, church-based field visits, and guest leaders, students learn the crucial role of the church in and for the city, the historic urban church, church models, and disciple-making practices. (w/Deans of Urban Ministry/BALM staff –2 nd Saturdays) | 48 | | | | | | |
| Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) | Take the Intercultural Development Inventory and review results and applications with trained IDI administrator. (BALM staff) | 2 | | | | | | |
| Cultural Intelligence & Urban Apologetics | Through interactive readings, cohort discussions and instructions, students form a biblical theology of culture that includes dominant and subdominant dynamics, core concerns, and gospel applications. Students form a theology of unity building and reconciliation as a core gospel witness in making and multiplying disciples. | 7 | | | | | | |
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| Urban Ministry Engagements | | | | | | | | |

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| Teach/Preach/Instruct | Under the supervision of urban leadership, teach/preach or provide instruction within an urban church or mission work. (Clarify characteristics of strong Word ministry for contextual teaching in student's urban context.) | 50-70 | | | | | | | - |
| Leadership Development (Disciple-making) | Lead/assist in instructing a group of disciples in leadership development. (Clarify key leadership principles of disciple-making) | 12-24 | | | | | | | |
| Interview Urban Ministry Practitioners | Meet with three urban ministry leaders to explore their calling, theological and practical training and journey in urban ministry. What surprises confronted them initially? What are their "words" for you? | 6-12 | | | | | | | |
| Design & Apply (a contextual gospel ministry) | Envision, execute, and evaluate a contextual urban ministry to your target community. What lessons did you learn? What were your surprises? How would you make it stronger? | 20-30 | | | | | | | |
| Community Service (Serve in a church or faith-based non-profit) | Engage in strategic service in a church, faith-based ministry or community anchor institution in your target community. What lessons did you learn about yourself and ministry? How did you encourage the leadership? What gospel movements in people's lives did you observe? How would you strengthen your ministry? Keep a journal of your lessons and gospel movements. | 50-70 | | | | | | | - |
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| Urban Ministry Health | | | | | | | | | |
| Evangelism/Gospel Outreach Training | Attend evangelism/gospel outreach/community development seminar/conference. Specify the principles and practices with strong application to your urban ministry. | 4-6 | | | | | | | |
| Personal Health and Rhythms of Sustainable Care | Develop a life plan and budget that addresses sustainability and resilience for urban ministry. (w/instruction by BALM staff) | 4-6 | | | | | | | |
| Urban Ministry Systems Health Dashboard | Develop a dashboard of ministry health values that promote and protect wholistic engagement in gospel word, deeds, and living. (w/instruction by BALM staff) | 4-6 | | | | | | | |
| Mercy-Justice Ministry | Clarify principles to guard gospel witness when engaging in deeds of justice and mercy to prevent toxic charity. (w/instruction by BALM staff) | 4-6 | | | | | | | |

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| Devotion to Prayer | Attend Praying Life or other prayer seminar and draft a plan on how to keep prayer as a core practice for leaders in church planting. | 4-6 | | | | | | | - |
| Spiritual Gifting & Personality Strength Assessment | Through a variety of personal assessment tools and interactions, gain a deeper understanding of gifts and ministry calling focus. (w/instruction by BALM staff) | 4-6 | | | | | | | |
| | | 30 | | | | | | | |
| | Total Practicum Hours | 360 | | | | | | | |
| OTHER: Trip to Israel with MBS | If student chooses Trip to Israel with MBS cohort, the Dean of Urban Ministry with approval of accreditation authorities will work with student to transfer 40 hours from other sections of the practicum. | | | | | | | | |

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