



Church Planting and Renewal Track Internship Requirements

Description & Objective: The Church Planting and Renewal (CPR) track equips students and emerging leaders with a working theology, disciplines and essential skill set through cohort learning and practicum experiences to become competent Gospel ministers in church planting and renewal settings.

To equip leaders to plant and/or renew gospel-centered churches that transform lives and communities, we use Pathway Learning, an online, interactive learning platform (<https://courses.pathwaylearning.org/library/>). In our cohort forums, we cover vital disciplines and skills for planting and renewing healthy, disciple-making churches. For more details on the MBS Church Planting & Renewal Track and to download the overview, please visit <https://baltimoremovement.org/education>.

The MBS Church Planting and Renewal track equips leaders for strategic roles: leading a church plant, being part of a church plant leadership team, or pastoring or being part of a leadership team for church renewal. It can be tailored to those called to an ordained, teaching-pastoral ministry or those who want to be equipped for being part of a strategic leadership team.

The Church Planting and Renewal 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)

Church Planting Track	Student _____ Academic Year _____	Hrs Req	Hrs At Start	Sum	Fall	Wtr	Spr	Total To Date
Description of Work to be Completed								
Fundamentals & Foundations								
Church Planting Development I (1 year)	Through interactive learning modules, readings and forum discussions, students formulate vision, calling, focus, philosophy, purpose and values statement for a church plant. (w/Deans of CPR/BALM staff –4 nd Saturdays)	48						
Church Planting Development II (1 year)	Through interactive learning modules, readings and forum discussions, students formulate prayer plan, styles statement, ministry model, conflict plan, ministry plan and personal plan. (w/Deans of CPR/BALM Staff –4 nd Saturdays)	48						
Church Renewal I&II (1 year)	Through interactive learning modules, readings and forum discussions, students formulate a biblical missiology and plan for church callings in worship, discipleship and leadership, Word and deed gospel outreach, faith and work integration and church renewal plan. (w/Deans of CPR/BALM staff –4 nd Saturdays)	48						
Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI)	Take the Intercultural Development Inventory and review results and applications with trained IDI administrator. (BALM staff)	2						
Church Planting Pre-Assessment (incorporated in tracks annually)	The student completes a personal church planter’s assessment and review it with BALM staff.							
Cultural Intelligence & Cross-Cultural Church Planting Dynamics	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 core gospel witness in making and multiplying disciples.	7						
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Teaching								
Preach/Teach	Clarify characteristics of strong gospel Word ministry for preaching/teaching and worship.	50-60						-

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	Preach/teach and lead worship in a church plant setting. (minimum - 12 times)							
Leadership Development	Clarify key leadership principles and lead/assist in instructing a group of emerging leaders for leadership development and officer preparation.	30-50						
Lead a Discipleship Group	Design and lead discipleship group for new members.	12-24						-
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Church Planting Team and Leadership								
Time with Church Planting Core Team	Clarify principles to build and guard a missional team, including corporate prayer, working together to develop, execute and evaluate strategic missional engagements to a target community, and fellowship-building exercises (beyond meals and recreations)	20-30						-
Interview Church Planting Pastors	Set up meetings with three church planting pastors to explore questions about their calling, theological and practical training and journey in church planting. What surprises confronted them initially? What are their "words" for you?	6-12						-
Church Planting Network Meeting or Regional Church Leadership Meeting	Attend and report on a regional church leadership meeting focused on forwarding the mission of multiplying disciples through the church and church planting.	4						
		40						
Outreach								
Evangelism Training	Attend evangelism/gospel outreach equipping seminar/conference. Specify the principles and practices that would make for strong application for your church plant.	4-6						
Direct Time with Unchurched People & Contextual Outreach	Seek God's direction for strategic places to connect with people in target area. List and prioritize ways to meet and build relationships for contextual outreach. Prayerfully seek to move from acquaintance to friendship to invitation into gospel community. Keep a journal of the relationship developments, movements and lessons learned.	30-50						-
Mercy-Justice Ministry	Clarify principles of healthy gospel witness in deeds of justice and mercy.	4-6						-

Devotion to Prayer	Attend Praying Life seminar and draft a plan on how to keep prayer as a core practice for leaders in church planting.	4-6						-
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	Total Practicum Hours	360						
OTHER: Trip to Israel with MBS	If student chooses Trip to Israel with MBS cohort, the Dean of Church Planting with approval of accreditation authorities will work with student to transfer 40 hours from other sections of the practicum.							
OTHER (Specify)								