

## Internship Program- Frequently Asked Questions

### **What is the application process like?**

Applications are submitted on a rolling basis. All applicants must fill out an application. That can be found online <https://gbcsumc.wufoo.com/forms/gbcs-internship-application/> or downloaded to be completed offline and sent to the coordinator as an email attachment.

The application has a few short answer response sections, requires an uploaded transcript and references to complete submission.

Spend time in the short answer section sharing about those issues that Church and Society staff work on and that you are most passionate about. Draw on past experiences you have had in that work area.

All applications are carefully reviewed and prayerfully considered for possible placement.

We work to match you with a placement site (for Ethnic Young Adult Interns only) or Church and Society supervisor.

### **What kind of work would an intern do?**

The General Board of Church and Society is the social justice agency of the United Methodist Church. We do social justice advocacy and education in a number of different areas:

- Alcohol and Addictions
- Children's Advocacy
- Civil and Human Rights
- Criminal Justice Reform/Restorative Justice
- Economic Justice and Workers' Rights
- Environmental Justice/Creation Care
- Health Care
- Hunger and Poverty
- Immigration Rights and Reform
- United Nations and International Law
- Women's Advocacy and Reproductive Justice

Interns are placed with a supervisor within a particular work area. Your projects and assignments will be within that issue area. Interns have worked to help create resources, attended meetings and assisted in hosting events, training and workshops.

\*Ethnic Young Adult interns usually work at a placement site other than Church and Society.

Past placements include but are not limited to: Church World Service, Interfaith Power and Light, The NAACP, Results, National Religious Partnership for the Environment, The Democracy Initiative, FairVote, Men Can Stop Rape, Faith and Politics, Creation Justice Ministries, and Jubilee Jobs.

**Do interns get paid?**

Ethnic Young Adult interns are paid a stipend of \$1,500 upon completion of program requirements. Church and Society Fellows are offered a stipend upon the completion of their program requirements. General Interns do not receive compensation or housing.

**Are the internship programs competitive?**

Yes, we have a limited number of internships available and even fewer paid internships available. We seek candidates from our worldwide United Methodist Connection.