

## **Application for Internship**

Candidates Committee, Catawba Valley Presbytery, PCA

To apply for Internship:

- 1) Contact the Chairman of the Candidates Committee, whose name and contact information are available on the CVP website, [www.cvppca.org](http://www.cvppca.org).
- 2) Read the BCO reference, below, regarding Internship.
- 3) With your mentor, complete page two of this Application, make a copy for yourself, and send a copy by e-mail attachment or regular mail, to the Chairman of the Candidates Committee.
- 4) Meet with the Candidates Committee to review your application.
- 5) Meet with the Presbytery to be approved for Internship.

For more information, go to the web site, and the Candidates Committee link. Print for yourself a copy of “General Information” and “Requirements for Candidates, Interns, Licentiates and Ordinands.” This will give you an overview of the entire process and the requirements for each stage of candidacy.

### **Internship Book of Church Order Requirements**

**19-7.** The Holy Scriptures require that some trial be previously made of those who are to be ordained to the ministry of the Word, both concerning their gifts and concerning their ability to rule as teaching elders, in order that this sacred office may not be degraded by being committed to weak or unworthy men, and that the Church may have an opportunity to form a better judgment respecting the gifts of those to whom this sacred office is to be committed.

To provide for such a period of trial, a candidate for ordination must serve an internship. This period of internship shall be at least one year in length, and may be longer at the discretion of the Presbytery so as to give sufficient time for the Presbytery to judge the candidate's qualifications and service. This period of internship may occur during or after the candidate's formal theological education. When it occurs during his formal theological education, it may include an intern year in addition to his time of academic training or it may run concurrent with his academic training.

The nature of the internship shall be determined by the Presbytery, but it should involve the candidate in full scope of the duties of any regular ministerial calling approved by the Presbytery. It is to be both a time of practical instruction and testing by the Presbytery, and may be in any work which the Presbytery deems to be a suitable ministry to test the intern's gifts. The intern should be closely supervised by the Presbytery throughout this trial period.

## Mentor/Intern Agreement

Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Intern: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**As a Mentor**, I covenant with the Intern under my supervision, and with the Central Carolina Presbytery, to:

- 1) Meet regularly with him
- 2) Explore with and encourage him regarding his growth and struggles:
  - A) As a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ
  - B) As a husband and father, if applicable
  - C) As he relates to the people among whom he is ministering
  - D) As to his strengths and weaknesses, as revealed through the internship experience
- 3) Pray with and for him
- 4) Creatively seek opportunities for him to serve in as many aspects of ministry as possible.
- 5) Give feedback to the Candidates Committee, using the appropriate forms from the CCP Web site, [www.ccpca.net](http://www.ccpca.net), or from the Chairman of the Candidates Committee:
  - A) Quarterly, using the "Quarterly Report Form for Mentors of Interns"
  - B) Upon completion of his Internship, using the "Mentor's Internship Completion Form"

**Mentor's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**As an Intern**, I covenant with the Mentor supervising me, and with the Central Carolina Presbytery, to:

- 1) Meet regularly with him
- 2) Explore with my mentor my growth and struggles:
  - A) As a disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ
  - B) As a husband and father, if applicable
  - C) As I relate to the people among whom I am ministering
  - D) As to my strengths and weaknesses, as revealed through the internship experience
- 3) Pray with and for my mentor
- 4) Avail myself of as many opportunities for ministry as provided for me by my mentor
- 5) Give feedback to the Candidates Committee, using the appropriate forms from the CCP Web site, [www.ccpca.net](http://www.ccpca.net), or from the Chairman of the Candidates Committee:
  - A) Quarterly, using the "Quarterly Report for Candidates, Interns, and Licentiatees"
  - B) Upon completion of my internship, using the "Intern's Internship Completion Form"

**Intern's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_