



Graduate Resident Youth Minister

About the Residency:

Fulfill your call to youth or children's ministry through the Graduate Residency in Youth Ministry at the Center for Youth Ministry Training (CYMT). The Graduate Resident Youth or Children's Minister is a unique professional ministry opportunity that provides you with a job at a local ministry setting (church, camp, or nonprofit while both training and coaching you as you earn your Masters of Arts in Youth Ministry through CYMT's partner seminary. CYMT partners with Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, in Austin, TX and also has a Nashville Extension. Acceptance to the program is competitive, as the cohort spots are limited in each region. The cost to the resident is only \$2,000 for the 3-year program.

Graduate Residents will receive:

- Full scholarship for tuition, books, and housing
- Masters degree from accredited seminary
- A job as a youth minister in a local church/camping ministry
- \$1,000 per month stipend
- Veteran youth ministry coach

Core Components:

- **Cohort:** Residents are part of a dynamic, group-learning community that provides encouragement and support as they walk through ministry together.
- **Coaching:** Residents receive one-on-one coaching from a youth ministry veteran to help master and apply critical skills.
- **Classroom:** In retreat-style, four times per semester, residents will be challenged to think theologically about ministry and empowered to create ministry programs that evoke deep, life-changing Christian faith.
- **Church:** Residents get hands-on experience in a local church where they serve 25 hours weekly as youth minister.
- **Care:** Residents receive pastoral care and encouragement, empowering them to seek wholeness in their life.



Qualifications:

- Distinct call to youth or children's ministry
- Ministry experience working with children or youth
- Undergraduate degree

General Overview of Job Duties:

1. Oversee the youth or children's ministry program, providing strategic leadership to all weekly gatherings, monthly events, and regular trips.
2. Recruit, train, and work with a volunteer Ministry Team to organize and implement the work of the ministry.
3. Call on and meet regularly with youth and parents to involve them in the ministry.
4. Publicize all events to the larger community. Make a special effort to get youth/children's members and visitors involved in the ministry.
5. Work closely with the staff, on calendaring and planning events to avoid scheduling conflicts.
6. Participate in the weekly Staff Meetings, Ministry Team Meetings, etc.
7. Ensure that Child Protection policies are observed with all volunteers and staff. Train volunteers annually on Child Protection policies.
8. Develop the youth/children's budget line items annually. Observe financial policies on expense reporting. Keep informed as to budget and fund raising accounts.
9. Other duties as needed and agreed upon with the supervisor and personnel committee.
 - Assist in worship as scheduled.
 - Develop service and mission opportunities.
 - Create fellowship events for youth/children; retreats, off-campus events, parties, etc...

Theological Beliefs

CYMT partners with congregations and individuals representing the theological views and diversity of mainline Protestant Christianity. We partner with mainline Protestant denominations including the United Methodist Church, Presbyterian (PCUSA), Cumberland Presbyterian, Lutheran (ELCA), Episcopal, Disciples of Christ, American Baptist, and Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. Our partner seminary is Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.



Application Process:

Apply online at www.cymt.org

- Complete online application
- Pay \$50 application fee
- Provide:
3 references (professor, ministry, personal), transcripts, photo, proof of insurance, complete background check

Application deadlines:

Jan Term:

Early Application Deadline: June 1, Aug 1, Final deadline October 1.

Fall Term:

Early Admission Deadline: November 15, January 15. Final Deadline March 15.

Apply by 1st Early Admission Deadline and save \$500. Apply by 2nd Early Admission Deadline and save \$250.

Contact:

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The Center for Youth Ministry Training is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that exists to equip youth ministers and churches to develop theologically informed and practically effective youth ministries. Learn more at cymt.org.

Job Type: Full-time