

Aspire

IDC Pastoral Ministry Internship

*The saying is trustworthy: If anyone **aspires** to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task.
(1 Tim. 3:1)*

OVERVIEW:

Aspire is IDC's pastoral ministry internship program for men that desire to be pastors and church planters. It is a 1-year (Jan–Dec) pastoral ministry internship with the IDC pastors. It includes 2 courses per semester, meeting on Wednesdays from 1-4. Course credit is available through SEBTS for those courses (but SEBTS credit is not required to be in the internship). Priority will be given to those who are relatively close to planting or taking pastoral roles.

IDC members must submit an application to be considered for Aspire.

COURSES OFFERED:

The courses offered are as follows (SEBTS codes in parentheses):

- **Semester 1**
 - Pastoral Ministry (PMN 6501)
 - Church Structure, Admin, & Discipleship (PMN 6721)
- **Semester 2**
 - Christian Leadership (PMN 6733)
 - Sermon Delivery (PRS 6501)

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Each course entails...

- a) 24 hrs. of classroom instruction,
- b) 14 hrs. of practical ministry experience,
- c) 12 pgs. of writing (mainly book reviews, position papers, and sermons), and
- d) 900 pgs. of reading

Note: those NOT seeking SEBTS credits will have reduced requirements for (b), (c), and (d) above.

EQUIP CLASSES:

Additional courses focused on other ministry leadership areas will be offered as "Equip Classes" open to the whole church body and can also be taken for SEBTS credit (e.g., Church Planting, Counseling, Discipleship, etc.).

Mentored Internships (PMN 7900) may be available as "Equip Classes" upon request and geared towards particular areas of ministry (e.g., church planting, worship ministry, general women's ministry, etc.)

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