

**FAITH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
AND
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE**

PRACTICAL MINISTRY FORM

Student's name: _____ **Date:** _____

Program currently enrolled: _____

Campus location: _____

COURSE OVERVIEW:

1. Practical Ministry or Practicum is an additional requirement for each program level that is incorporated into the overall credits needed for graduation. The student will submit to their church, a local church or known ministry under the oversight of a mentor to provide service hours as a part of their program.
2. Even though it does not have the traditional requirements of a classroom course, it is still an essential element of the student's education and does provide credit towards their degree. A portion of the tuition provides payment for the credit hours awarded for this service.
3. Time assignments:
 - a. The **undergraduate student** (the first four years of college) will need to complete **sixty-two (62)** hours a year of volunteer involvement interacting with and impacting the lives of others under a mentor for approved ministry of their choice. It is completed during each academic year that the student is enrolled. If the individual enrolls each year of the undergraduate program, there will be **four (4)** practicums.
 - b. For all **graduate students**, except the divinity programs which requires **two hundred forty (240)** hours, and the Christian counseling program which requires clinical supervision. The student must complete either **sixty-two (62)** or **eighty-four (84)** hours (depending on program) of mentored ministry service as noted above.
 - c. It is recommended that Christian education students pursue practical opportunities to experience assisting or interning in a classroom or educational environment.
4. A mentor is someone who is in a position of authority and can be responsible to oversee/supervise your work. This individual should operate in the ministry that reflects your interest or calling or can provide insight into ministry overall.

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COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

A. It is the responsibility of the student to approach the individual who will mentor (oversee/direct) the ministry/work that you do. Whether there is only one or more than one, please ask them to complete the following information before initiating your practicum.

1. **Mentor Name:** _____
Church/Ministry: _____
Address (please include city, state, zip code): _____

Phone number (please include area code): _____
Position: _____

Signature: _____

2. **Mentor Name:** _____
Church/Ministry: _____
Address (please include city, state, zip code): _____

Phone number (please include area code): _____
Position: _____

Signature: _____

(Use the back of this form for any additional names.)

- B. Be sure that both you and your mentor agree upon the interactive (person to person) ministry/work to be done and that they know they are evaluating you on completing it satisfactorily, demonstrated a Godly attitude and a level of proficiency equivalent to your program.
- C. Areas of ministry that could be considered include teaching, preaching, outreach ministry (feeding the homeless, street evangelism, follow-up, missions project, etc.), hospital visitation, helps ministry, altar ministry, counseling, children, youth or other age-level ministry or other interactive areas approved (the mentor should contact the college office with any questions in this area).
- D. The main campus office can be contacted by phone: (813) 886-8492, by fax: (813) 886-7875, or by e-mail: foct@tampabay.rr.com.
- E. **Be sure to submit all three (3) pages upon completion for proper credit.**

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MINISTRY/WORK COMPLETED:

Type of Interactive Ministry/Work done:	Date of service:	Amount of time:	Mentor's signature:
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APPROVAL SIGNATURE:			