

## LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

I invite you to do something eternal with your summer in 2017. Do something that will set a foundation for the rest of your life! We believe in a God who communicates with his creation; why not take a summer to focus on what he has to say to you? You will spend every day for 10 weeks in complete abandonment to discover God's purposes for your life. The Summer Internship at the Vineyard Church of Baton Rouge will help you build a strong foundation, refine and define who you are, and help you discover God's calling for your life.

My name is Dan Powell; I'm the Young Adults Pastor here at the Vineyard Church of Baton Rouge. This packet will give you an overview of our Summer Internship, its vision and focus, and hopefully answer some questions you may have. The Vineyard staff and I are looking for those who are hungry, teachable, sincere, and willing to make a true commitment to God's purpose for their lives. You will be challenged and stretched over these 10 weeks, but the possibilities from such a consecrated time before God are countless.

I encourage you to pray through this information. If you feel God pulling your heart toward the Vineyard Summer Internship then please fill out the application by one of two application deadlines: January 6th or March 20th. I will contact you within one week of your application submission to set up an interview.

This training is not intended for everyone. It might be intense and trying at times. Our staff will be praying that the Lord's will and direction will become clear to us with each prospective student. I eagerly wait as our Father guides a group of young and passionate individuals who desire revolution in their lives.

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# VISION

## What is the Vineyard Summer Internship about?

This is a 10 week internship for young adults who desire to expand their experience and training in ministry for a summer. It's about bringing you into the thick of ministry and seeking God's heart for his people. It is an opportunity to listen, to set apart time before the Lord asking what His purposes are in your life and to begin to understand how to live out those purposes. It is about finding out what God may have in store for you! It is about being set apart to participate in something bigger, to seek out the ministry God may be calling you to, to learn about being the Church, to listen to God's heart and invest a summer that sets a foundation for the rest of your life!

## What will you be doing in this internship?

You will have first-hand experience alongside the Vineyard Staff in reaching out to the Baton Rouge community as well as the opportunity to help lead in specific ministry areas of interest throughout our church. Some of these areas include, youth, Sunday services, outreach, children's ministry, prayer and more. Interns can expect to work hard but they'll find a rewarding summer rooted in awesome Christian community.

You'll also spend time learning through staff teachings and books about the foundations of ministry. Just as much as you will be doing ministry, you'll have an equal amount of time dedicated to learning from those who have been doing and studying ministry in the Vineyard.

Ultimately, either by learning or doing, The Vineyard Summer Internship will be about sitting before the Lord and falling more in love with Him.

# OVERVIEW:

The following is a glimpse of what will be learned over the course of 10 weeks. There is a unique combination of hands on ministry training, academic learning, and application of spiritual disciplines.

## DATES:

Saturday, May 27, 2017 through Sunday, August 6, 2017. This is a 10 week internship.

## TEACHING THEMES:

Vineyard Vision and Values | Worship | Life in the Kingdom | Ministering to Children | Ministering to Youth | Gift Based Ministry | Community/ Church | And More...

# Schedule:

## Tuesday - Friday Schedule

9-10am	Group and personal Devo
10-12pm	Ministry Planning
12-1pm	Nom Noms
1-3pm	Teaching
3-5	Community Outreach or Reading time

Occasionally there will be evening church events you may be required to attend.

## Summer Schedule

May 27	Intern Kickoff!
May 29-June 3	Beach Camping
July 9-14	Vineyard National Conference or Summer Break*
July 24-28	VBS
August 6	Last Day

\*The National Vineyard Conference is in Anaheim CA this year. We highly encourage you to attend with us. The National Conference is an excellent time to learn and connect with others in the Vineyard movement. However due to the cost (specifically airfare) we understand that attending the conference may be difficult for you. So you have the option to use this time as a summer break.

\*\*\*This schedule is subject to change at any point during the internship.\*\*\*

## Sundays

This is the most important day of the week for connecting with the church, serving in our main worship service and seeing the fruit of what you're building on the church side of your internship. You are required to attend all Sunday services and activities (leadership community meetings, worship community meetings or Sunday nights). On Sunday Mornings you will serve in one service (Children, Youth, Nursery, Usher, Greeter, Worship Team, etc.) and be a participant in the other. Interns will be expected to participate with and assist the Baton Rouge Vineyard to organize and execute Sunday morning services. This is an integral part of learning the ins and outs of the workings of a vibrant church.

## LIVING EXPENSES

### HOUSING:

Your housing will be provided by a host family from the church. Every host home is different but most will provide you with your own room and food. The people that volunteer to host an intern are some of the most genuine people and desire to invest in your training. They love getting to know you and being your family away from home.

### HOUSING BEFORE THE INTERNSHIP STARTS:

If you are coming from outside the state or country, or your college semester ends early, you may come early and get adjusted to the area. If you need housing before the internship starts please let us know. We are aware that some of you are traveling from outside the state or country and we would like to work with you as much as possible for a smooth transition.

## COSTS:

Materials Cost: \$100 for the entire internship. \$50 is due upon acceptance into the internship and \$50 is due June 3rd. These fees are to offset the cost of materials and events we provide for you. Please don't let them be a hindrance to your participation. If you need assistance with them, please contact us.

Books: You will be gifted three books upon your arrival but you are required to buy an additional two. Both can be found used online for about \$5. The reading list will be given to you upon acceptance into the internship.

Living Cost: Each intern will be responsible for all meals (unless provided for you by host homes which is likely) and any personal transportation and expenses as needed. Depending on your spending habits it is suggested to have \$125 a month at your disposal for spending cash throughout the summer. This will cover gas, occasional meals out, personal items/ toiletries, coffee breaks, emergency cash, etc. Please let us know if you would like assistance with raising support to cover this amount.

## JOBS:

While it's not suggested, please let us know if you are planning on maintaining a summer job in the application process including how many hours you plan on working each week. We will attempt to be respectful of such a necessity but want to make sure you are available for the majority of the intern experience.

## SCHOOL CREDIT:

If you wish to earn school credit for this internship, please speak with Dan for more information and to ensure we can meet the requirements of your school.

## DEVOTIONALS:

Trained leaders from The Baton Rouge Vineyard will lead you in devotions for the first week of the internship and then you will be given coaching and practice in leading one another in this time. Leaders will be available to coach you as you grow in leading others.

## EVENING COMMITMENTS

Several nights a week you will have completely off to yourself for fun or reflection time. Wednesday evenings is set aside for Rangers, Bible study, or Youth Group. And one other evening a week you will be in a Life Group. We realize that the influx of new ideas and challenges may mean you need more processing or alone time, depending on your personality. The schedule of your evenings will be made available at the beginning of the internship so that you can then decide how to utilize your free time most effectively.

## CAMPING TRIP AT THE BEACH

We will be going on a beach camping trip the first week of the internship. We'll provide all of the supplies you need including food, sleeping bags, tents, etc. This will be a time to work together, learn each other's life stories, and have a lot of fun while on the white sandy beaches of the Gulf.

Thanks for taking the time to read this packet. I truly hope we get to minister together this summer! Please contact me with any questions.

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