

Lecturer of Youth Ministry

This position is: OPEN

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Position Summary

The Lecturer of Youth Ministry provides vision and leadership for the BA in Youth Ministry, minor in Youth Ministry, and BA in Youth Ministry Leadership programs, and serves as the primary faculty member.

Responsibilities

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- Teach courses or the equivalent of 24 credits per academic year (full time load)
- Direct and oversee the two youth ministry degree programs: The B.A. in Youth Ministries, The B.A. in Youth Ministry Leadership (nontraditional online program), as well as the minor in youth ministries.
- Design and develop course schedules for all programs based on student needs and numbers.
- Foster the development of the academic, social, and spiritual dimensions of the students.
- Advise the students in all programs.
- Recruit and oversee adjuncts.
- Develop and manage external partnerships that are beneficial to Eastern.
- Serve as a liaison between Eastern and local church youth ministers and alumni. Be at the forefront of discerning the future of youth ministry training, the broader church expectations for youth ministers, and discovering future sources of students for the Eastern programs.
- Oversee field placement and internship programs for students serving in both school year settings and summer placements.
- Participate in faculty responsibilities, including standing committee assignments and other occasional committee assignments.
- Develop and oversee student learning reporting and assessment.
- Work directly with the Admissions and Marketing Departments to recruit prospective students for the programs. This includes availability for Open House events, both on campus and online, as well as attending the Young Life New Staff Training event once a year. (Some of these responsibilities may be delegated to adjuncts in the department).
- Serve as a contributing member of the Palmer Seminary and College faculty, including the possibility of teaching graduate level courses if needed and working to integrate the youth ministry programs into the broader undergraduate theology department
- Embody values of caring and compassion, justice and integrity, competence and affirmation.

- Seek to treat each member of the campus community with fairness, dignity and respect seeking a spirit of unity and harmony as we join together to achieve our common mission.

Qualifications

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Candidates should have the ability to teach undergraduate courses in ministry and specifically youth ministry. This is a 9-month position. The appointment begins in August 2022. Applicants should have a Master's degree in a ministry related field, with preference given to applicants with a doctoral degree. Applicants should have at least 10 years of youth ministry experience.

Applicants should be in theological alignment with the doctrinal statement of the University, and able to enthusiastically affirm the University's core values, vision, and mission. Candidates should be willing to participate in departmental/university activities and functions as required of a full-time faculty member.

About Eastern University

Eastern University is a Christian university of the arts and sciences that integrates faith, reason and justice for students in its undergraduate, graduate, Seminary, urban, professional and international programs. **Applicants should have a religious commitment compatible with its mission and be willing to endorse by signing Eastern University's doctrinal statement.** The university complies with federal and state guidelines of nondiscrimination in employment; members of protected classes encouraged to apply.

Background Checks

Standard University employees are required to complete the background clearance process. Employment is contingent upon the successful results of an employment background screening. The employment background screening may include but is not limited to your consumer credit history (for positions that work with the university finances or alumni funds only), verification of education and professional credentials, criminal history, driving history, residency, immigration status, performance, references, and other qualities pertinent to your qualifications for the following position.

Youth Clearances are required for positions with direct contact with children and essential personnel positions. Employees working with or around minor age children are required to complete the youth clearance process which includes the following four child protection clearances:

- 1) Affidavit;
- 2) FBI Criminal Record Check;

- 3) Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Child Abuse History Clearance and;
- 4) Pennsylvania State Police Criminal Record Check.

In accordance with state laws, Act 73 of 2007, Act 153 of 2014, Act 168 (relating to the Child Protective Services Law), school employees of Eastern University who will have "direct contact with children" must complete the background check process prior to employment. Results must be submitted within ten days of receipt.

Description Disclaimer

This description is intended to describe the general level and nature of work performed by the person/people assigned to this position. It is not to be construed as an exhaustive list of duties and responsibilities of the person/people so assigned.