

2023 Worship Arts Academy Internship Profile

The Worship Arts Academy at First Presbyterian Church of Edmond is seeking students who would benefit from hands-on experience related to a calling to serve the church in worship ministry. Applicants must have at least one year of college credit. As an Academy intern, you will 1) connect with FPCE's churchwide internship program for personal growth and leadership training, 2) work with Academy interns in the Worship Arts area to grow spiritually and understand big ideas related to worship, and 3) work one-on-one with a staff member who specializes in a specific area of interest to hone skills and get hands-on practice and mentoring. The tracks to choose from are:

- 1) *Worship Planning & Leading*
- 2) *Songwriting & Recording*
- 3) *Worship Choirs*
- 4) *Communications*

Worship Planning & Leading

What are the primary goals of corporate worship? What should an order of service look like? What should the content be? How do I choose songs? How do these things change between service styles? What is the relationship between pastor(s) and worship leader(s) as it relates to worship planning & leading?

Songwriting & Recording

How do I approach writing a song to be used in corporate worship? How is songwriting for worship different than songwriting for other purposes? How can I make a quality recording with limited resources? How can I use songwriting and recording to serve the church at large?

Worship Choirs

What is the role of a choir in worship? How does that role change between services with different musical styles? How do I select music for choirs? What are the basics of preparing for worship, both musically and spiritually? How can I get more people engaged in choirs?

Communications

What communications pieces play an important role in corporate worship? What are the most used programs for video presentation? How should lighting and sound be used in worship? How do I enlist and train servants in these areas? How do I livestream services?

What are the expectations of a Worship Arts Academy Intern?

- To desire to serve Jesus through worship ministry
- To model the way of Jesus in both life and speech
- To attend a weekly worship service at FPCE or elsewhere upon request
- To attend meetings and events that pertain to your chosen track
- To be highly relational with worship personnel by attending praise band and choir rehearsals
- To complete various assignments given by mentor

- To participate in regularly scheduled FPCE staff meetings
- To participate in intern meetings and activities

What can I expect from FPCE?

- To know that you are an important and valued part of the FPCE team
- To grow spiritually and personally
- To grow in your leadership
- To sharpen your talents and gifts as a leader in the local church
- To be pushed out of your comfort zone
- To learn the details of your ministry and grow in your understanding
- To be poured into spiritually in a one-on-one mentor setting as well as group settings
- To be a part of a fun, Christ-centered culture and Church
- To engage with other departments and pastors regularly

What does an internship at FPCE look like?

- Approx. 25 hours/week
- \$12/hour paid bi-weekly
- Provide your own transportation
- May 22nd thru August 3rd

We know that God has given you unique talents and passions – and we are praying that as an intern at FPCE your talents and passions will be strengthened and refined! We are praying bold, expectant prayers over our potential summer interns! Pray that God would lead you where you are supposed to be and then submit your application no later than April 30, 2023.



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