



PAM 491 PASTORAL MINISTRY PRACTICUM

(4 credits)

Primary Field Advisor Responsibility Description

Dear Prospective Field Advisor,

Thank you for your willingness to invest in the next generation of pastors for the General Conference by serving as a Field Advisor in the Pastoral Ministry Practicum. Your role in the success of our students is indispensable and we greatly appreciate your assistance. The Pastoral Ministry Practicum allows students in the final year of the Associate of Christian Leadership (Pastoral Ministry concentration)/Diploma of Christian Ministry (Pastoral Emphasis) to integrate their classroom learning with real ministry experience in the field.

As a Field Advisor you serve the student as a model, encourager, teacher and guide as they engage in real ministry with real people. Your responsibilities (outlined below) assume a high level of interaction with the student as they engage in 100 hours of assigned ministry activity over the course of a 10-30 week long period. Please review these responsibilities carefully to ensure that you can commit to fulfilling them. *The student's grade in this course depends in large part upon your completion and timely submission of monthly reports.*

Requirements:

- Read and keep a copy of the student's customized developmental goals.
- Maintain at least weekly contact with your student through in-person, phone or email visits.
- Fill out and submit a monthly report listing the number of ministry hours worked by the student in the previous month (this number can be obtained from the student reports) and summarizing the following based on your observations:
 - Specific skills that the student learned or improved through the practical pastoral activity.
 - New or recurring challenges that the student recognized as areas for improvement through the practical pastoral activity and/or reading.
 - New or recurring victories that the student recognized as areas of strength/competence through the practical leadership activity and/or reading.
 - Any additional comments that you consider relevant for the student's faculty advisor to be aware of.

Note: Submit via email to the Faculty Advisor, Brian Franks, at brian.franks@artioscollege.org

The field advisor report is due by midnight each fourth Sunday of each month in which the student is enrolled in PAM491- up to 6 months

Recommendations:

- Commit to a daily time of prayer for your student.
- Read and discuss at least two of the three books that your student is reading in connection with the practicum (the student can supply you with the list).