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| Course | INTERNSHIP INTD 0701 01 |
| Date and Time | MAY – DECEMBER 2025 |
| Instructor | YAU MAN SIEW, PhD Telephone/voice mail: (416) 226-6620 Ext. 6750 Email: ysiew@tyndale.ca |
| Class Information | <p>INTERNSHIP COORDINATION SESSIONS:</p> <p>Mandatory: TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025 Morning Section: 10am - 12pm (Meet ONLINE)</p> <p>Optional Evening Section: TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025 6:30 - 8:30pm (Meet ONLINE, depending on enrollment numbers)</p> <p>Ministry Reflection Seminars (MRS) will be held in small groups during the course of the term (attend either the daytime or the evening section). Specific dates will be assigned/arranged at the Coordination Sessions.</p> <p>Office Hours: Zoom or in-person appointments by request.</p> |
| Course Material | <p>Access course material at classes.tyndale.ca or other services at Tyndale One.</p> <p>Course emails will be sent to your @MyTyndale.ca e-mail account only.</p> |

[Tyndale Seminary Internship Website](#)

Internship Forms (learning covenant, placement site forms, etc.) and **Internship Assignment Guidelines** can be accessed on the course page or on the Moodle internship portal.

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Tyndale Seminary Internship Program (TSIP) is a central component in the theological curriculum at Tyndale Seminary. All MDiv students must complete at least a two-term internship in their major area of study. The Internship provides students with a vibrant and transformative context for integrating the theological, spiritual, relational, and vocational dimensions of Christian ministry and leadership.

The Internship has a formative aim in developing theologically reflective Christian leaders for service in the Church and the world. Through engagement in real-world ministry in supervised placements, interns are provided with opportunities to work alongside experienced ministry mentors to develop ministry competencies, to set and meet individualized learning goals, and to clarify and confirm their ministry gifts and calling.

Clinical Counselling majors in MDiv/MA and Spiritual Formation majors in MDiv have specific internship requirements and should consult their program coordinators for details. Internships for all other MDiv students are overseen by TSIP. Students enrolled in the MTS program may elect to take an internship course. Students with double majors require two internships.

Prerequisites: Students will normally have completed a minimum of 15 courses (45 credits) before registering for the Internship course. Prerequisite courses include SPIR 0700 Spiritual Formation, LEAD 0510 Leadership Development and MISS 0782 Gospel, Church and Culture. Exceptional cases will be considered by the Internship Director (Dr. Michael Krause – mkrause@tyndale.ca). Further details regarding Internship requirements and guidelines are provided in the [Internship Manual](#).

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate growth in ministry capacities and competencies in accordance with their individualized learning covenant and their ministry major competency requirements
2. Engage effectively in the practice of both personal and group theological reflection on ministry experience
3. Analyze the social, cultural and global context of God's mission in the world with particular focus on their own ministry setting
4. Understand the value of mentoring, supervision and peer accountability for lifelong personal, professional and spiritual growth

5. Identify and articulate one's calling, aptitudes, growing edges and personal philosophy of ministry
6. Demonstrate an integrative understanding of the biblical, theological, historical, spiritual and personal dimensions of Christian ministry

III. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

A. INTERNSHIP

1. INTERNSHIP SITE:

Students will select an internship site and Ministry Mentor, in close collaboration with the professor, Dr. Yau Man Siew and his colleague, Internship Director, Dr. Michael Krause. (Note: The process for selecting and negotiating an internship site should begin several months in advance of the Internship and must be approved by Dr. Siew or Dr. Krause **prior to registration** in the course. Registration cannot be done online but by using a [Non-Classroom Registration Form](#).)

2. INTERNSHIP HOURS:

Engagement in at least 260 hours of ministry experience throughout the duration of the internship (approximately 8-10 hours per week over two semesters.) Submit a record of your total weekly internship hours.

3. LEARNING COVENANT: (Required before registering for the course)

Formulation and adherence to an individualized Learning Covenant that identifies specific learning and ministry goals for the internship. The Learning Covenant is to be written in consultation with the Ministry Mentor and must be approved by the Internship Director or course professor. The Learning Covenant is found on the course page, MDiv Internship Program, in classes.tyndale.ca.

4. SUPERVISION:

Engagement in **weekly** mentoring/supervision/reflection sessions with the approved on-site Ministry Mentor/Placement Supervisor. Submit a summary/record of weekly internship conversations with your supervisor/ministry mentor.

5. MINISTRY REFLECTION SEMINARS (MRS): various dates

Attendance at and participation in all six MRS are mandatory. (Coordination Session + 4 Ministry Reflection Seminars + Final Integrative Seminar = 6 total). Students will meet in groups of 3-5 throughout the internship to present and reflect on their case studies. Specific seminar dates and groups will be determined at the Coordination Session.

6. MINISTRY REFLECTION CASE STUDIES: (Due on assigned dates – the student will write one case study each semester).

Students will write and submit two ministry reflection case studies over the course (one per semester, 5 pages each). Note: Students will attend all six MRS over the course (see 5 above). In one MRS, they will present their case study for peer input. In another MRS, they will provide input on the case study of two peers. Specific due dates will be dependent on the date of the seminar. See class webpage and Guidelines.

7. FINAL (SUMMATIVE) INTEGRATIVE REFLECTION PAPER:

A 12-page Final Integrative Reflection Paper due around the last day of the semester. This integrative paper will be discussed during a final Integrative MRS, normally held at the end of the semester.

8. SELF-EVALUATIONS: Due on August 29, 2025.

Submission of mid-term student self-evaluation (signed by the ministry mentor)

9. SUPERVISOR'S EVALUATION: Due on December 12, 2025.

Submission of a final end-of-course evaluation of the student by the ministry mentor.

10. INTERNSHIP PROGRAM EVALUATION: Due on December 12, 2025.

At the end of the internship, fill out a Student Internship Program Evaluation Form focusing in on your own experience, your experience with the supervisor, and with the internship site.

B. SUPPLEMENTARY / RECOMMENDED READING AND TOOLS

Because the Internship and Ministry Reflection Seminars are designed as a context for integrating classroom learning with the practice of ministry, the “reading list” comprises the all reading that one has done in the courses taken to date. In addition, the following are particularly helpful resources in thinking theologically about the practice of ministry.

Campbell-Reid, Eileen R. [*Pastoral Imagination: Bridging the Practice of Ministry to Life*](#). Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2021.

Chang, Sung Hee and Matthew Floding (Editors). [*Enlighten: Formational Learning in Theological Field Education*](#). Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 2020.

Nouwen, Henri. [*In the Name of Jesus: Reflections on Christian Leadership*](#). New York: The Crossroad Publishing Company, 1992.

Peterson, Eugene. [*Working the Angles: The Shape of Pastoral Integrity*](#). Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1989.

Robinson, Anthony B. [*What's Theology Got to Do with It? Convictions, Vitality and the Church.*](#) Herndon, VA: Alban Institute, 2006.

Stone, Howard W., and James O. Duke. [*How to Think Theologically.*](#) 3rd Edition. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2013.

Tyndale recommends www.stepbible.org – a free and reputable online resource developed by Tyndale House (Cambridge, England) – for word searches of original-language texts, as well as for topical searches, interlinear texts, dictionaries, etc. Refer to the library for other [online resources for Biblical Studies](#).

C. INTERACTIVE LIVESTREAM AND/OR HYBRID COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- Livestream attendance for the entire duration of the class at announced times
- Headphones (preferred), built-in microphone, and web-camera
- Well-lit and quiet room
- Stable high-speed internet connection, preferably using an Ethernet cable over Wi-Fi
- Full name displayed on Zoom and Microsoft Teams for attendance purposes*
- A commitment to having the camera on to foster community building*

*exceptions with permission from professor

D. GUIDELINES FOR INTERACTIONS

Tyndale University prides itself in being a trans-denominational community. We anticipate our students to have varied viewpoints which will enrich the discussions in our learning community. Therefore, we ask our students to be charitable and respectful in their interactions with each other, and to remain focused on the topic of discussion, out of respect to others who have committed to being a part of this learning community. Please refer to “Guidelines for Interactions” on your course resource page at classes.tyndale.ca.

E. GRADING AND EVALUATION

By the end of the internship, students will have a portfolio of documents providing evidence of their growth and learning through the internship experience. These documents must all be submitted to the course page to receive the internship credit. The portfolio will include:

- The Learning Covenant outlining the student’s individualized learning and ministry plan
- The Site Placement Form indicating the agreement between the student’s supervisor and Tyndale Seminary
- Mid-term Self-Evaluation Report, reflecting on progress and learning in the Internship based on goals outlined in the learning covenant
- Supervisor’s Final Evaluation by the Ministry Mentor providing feedback and reflection on ministry strengths and areas for future growth

- Two ministry reflection case studies from the Ministry Reflection Seminars with feedback from fellow students
- A summary of your internship hours and your weekly internship conversations with your supervisor or ministry mentor
- Final Integrative (Summative) Reflection paper integrating learning that occurred during the internship and the course of all your seminary learning and presented to other students during the last Ministry Reflection Seminar.

Notes:

1. Guidelines for all course requirements can be found on the internship website and on the class page
2. All assignments/forms must be submitted on the course page classes.tyndale.ca
3. Hard copy (paper) documents must be scanned and submitted electronically to the course page. All photocopiers at Tyndale are able to scan and email scanned documents to student’s email addresses free of charge.
4. All internship requirements must be completed in order to pass the course. This includes attendance at 6 Ministry Reflection Seminars, completion and submission of all documents as outlined above.
5. The course is graded on a Credit/No-Credit basis.

F. EQUITY OF ACCESS

Students with permanent or temporary disabilities who need academic accommodations must [contact](#) the [Accessibility Services](#) at the [Centre for Academic Excellence](#) to [register](#) and discuss their specific needs. *New students* must self-identify and register with the Accessibility Office at the beginning of the semester or as early as possible to access appropriate services. *Current students* must renew their plans as early as possible to have active accommodations in place.

G. SUMMARY OF ASSIGNMENTS AND DATES

Evaluation is based upon the completion all the required elements:

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| Submission of Learning Covenant/Site Placement Form and Application Form | Prior to registering for the course |
| Attend Internship Coordination Session (Online meeting #1) | May 27, 2025 |
| Ministry Reflection Case Study 1 – Summer (Online meetings #2 and #3) | June to July – specific dates TBD by group members |
| Mid-Term Student Self-Evaluation | August 29, 2025 |
| Ministry Reflection Case Study 2 – Fall (Online meetings #4 and #5) | September to October – specific dates TBD by group members |

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| Attend Final Integrative Seminar (Online meeting #6) | November, 2025 |
| Final Integrative Reflection Paper | December 12, 2025 |
| Supervisor’s Evaluation of the Intern | December 12, 2025 |
| Summary of Meetings with Supervisor/Mentor | December 12, 2025 |
| Summary of Internship Hours | December 12, 2025 |
| Course Evaluation of the Internship Program | December 12, 2025 |
| Transcript Grade | Credit / No Credit |

H. GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THE SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN WORK

For proper citation style, consult the [tip sheet, “Documenting Chicago Style”](#) (Tyndale e-resource) or the full edition of the [Chicago Manual of Style Online](#), especially ch. 14. For citing scripture texts, refer to sections 10.44 to 10.48 and 14.238 to 14.241 from the *Chicago Manual of Style* or reference the [tip sheet, “How to Cite Sources in Theology”](#).

Academic Integrity

Integrity in academic work is required of all our students. Academic dishonesty is any breach of this integrity, and includes such practices as cheating (the use of unauthorized material on tests and examinations), submitting the same work for different classes without permission of the instructors; using false information (including false references to secondary sources) in an assignment; improper or unacknowledged collaboration with other students, and plagiarism. Tyndale University takes seriously its responsibility to uphold academic integrity, and to penalize academic dishonesty.

Students are encouraged to consult [Writing Services](#). Citation and other [tip sheets](#).

Students should also consult the current [Academic Calendar](#) for academic polices on Academic Honesty, Gender Inclusive Language in Written Assignments, Late Papers and Extensions, Return of Assignments, and Grading System.

Research Ethics

All course-based assignments involving human participants requires ethical review and may require approval by the [Tyndale Research Ethics Board \(REB\)](#). Check with the Seminary Dean’s Office (aa@tyndale.ca) before proceeding.

IV. SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

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