



Youth Internship

Intake year
2021





Who we are.

Downshire Church is a Presbyterian Church which can be found at the top of Victoria Road in Carrickfergus, a short walk from Downshire halt train stop.

Our church is placed in the middle of a busy community full of local shops, schools and beautiful walkways, attracting new families all the time.

Our local community is just a short distance from a culturally rich Carrickfergus Town- full of great eateries, shopping hubs and of course our landmark castle!

Who we are.

We are a gathering of friendly, ordinary people, some of whom have found faith and others who are on the journey. We love to see new faces!

We want to be a body of believers whose focus is the needs of others and whose goal is to win the lost for Christ. Yet we also want every member to be reaching out with the gospel as individuals so that God may accomplish His work in this place.



Youth and Kids at Downshire

Platform was developed in 2020 as a strategy to bring our youth and kids ministries together into one.

Platform Kids

- In Platform Kids providing a scriptural foundation and discipling our children is of utmost importance to us.
- Our leaders engage with our kids, by teaching through memory verses, videos, carefully planned lessons, crafts, games and interactive activities.
- We teach our children to pray and we pray with them, creating space for them to praise God through song!

Platform Youth

- Platform Youth builds upon our kids ministry, knowing that relationships are key to engaging with our young people.
- We follow a monthly rotation of Bible study, pastorally focused programs and events which are planned solely for fun and fellowship!
- We have recently launched the Youth Associate role which is an amazing opportunity for 16-18 year olds to connect or reconnect with the church.



Outreach.

Part of the culture and heritage of Downshire Church is to reach out to the community with the good news of Jesus.

We love that we are at the centre of a beautiful community- full of outreach opportunity!

More about you...

So, what kind of person do you need to be?



Passion for God



Sharing Jesus



Heart for Church



Team Player



Purpose Driven



Desire to Learn

Why Consider an Internship?

When assigning your role we will endeavour to match you with an area of development that meets your interests and personal goals as well as furthering the unique ministry of our church.

We want your time with us to be as valuable as possible. Therefore we will be supporting you to achieve a youth ministry qualification. As well as this, we feel that secular life experience is vital to forming a well-rounded outlook and response to the world around us and that this is not only valuable for ministry but is also transferable to any other walk of life.



Key Details

- This role will be for **20 hours per week**;
- This is an unpaid role*; **however**, all work-based expenses will be covered, and on top of this we will pay the cost of the youth ministry qualification and of any courses that you will attend.
- The role will include attendance at a **minimum of two faith-based courses and one secular work experience**, qualifications will be given for each course.
- You will attend **leadership training**.
- You will **network with other Interns**, Youth Workers, and explore the work that other ministries are involved in.
- You will have the opportunity to develop your communication skills within the **church, local schools** and the **community**.
- You will play a valuable role in **motivating and influencing** our team of volunteers.
- You will be supported by a line manager **and** will also have a mentor assigned to you who will meet with you on a weekly basis.
- You will attend a **monthly devotion time** with the team.

**Please don't hesitate to contact us if the finances are a worry for you!*

Main Areas of Focus



Content Planning



Social Media



Co-Leading



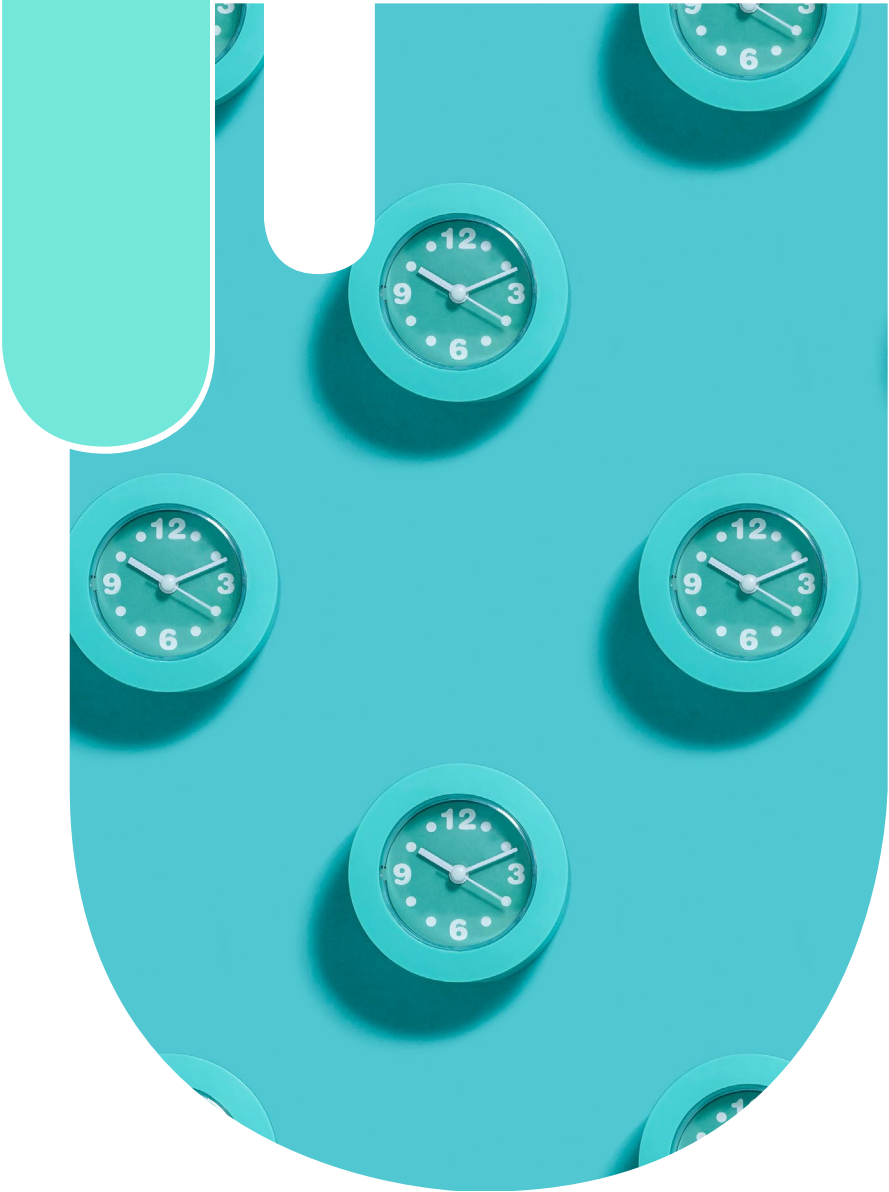
**Youth & Kids
Services**



Outreach



Discipleship



Timing.

Our youth internship will have the opportunity to tailor their role to fit around their lifestyle as they study or work.

You may choose between an academic year or completing the academic year and then continuing on for the summer term.

How do I apply?

- **By completing the attached application form.**
- **Following your successful application, you will be called for interview.**
- **Following the interview, you will receive confirmation as to whether or not you have been a successful candidate for our internship.**



THANK YOU!

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