

Beeson Divinity School Supervised Ministry Practicum Mentor Agreement Form

The Beeson Divinity School Supervised Ministry Practicum requirement is designed to give M.Div. students guided practical experience in a variety of ministry activities so they can apply what they are learning in class in the local church setting and gain more hands on practice that will prepare them for day to day ministry. To do this most effectively students are required to complete their practicums under the supervision of a *qualified and committed* ministry mentor. These mentors agree to minister alongside the students, guide them through their learning experiences, and invest time in them throughout the one-year practicum.

As a Supervised Ministry Practicum mentor for the academic year 2023-24, I the undersigned _____ (print name) agree to the following:

- I certify that I have either a graduate theological degree plus at least three years of ministry experience, or no graduate theological degree but ten years or more of ministry experience.
- If I have not mentored a Beeson student for SMP in the last five years I agree to submit a current resume to the SMP office to verify my credentials.
- If I have not mentored a Beeson student for SMP in the last five years I agree to attend a mentor training session on either **Mon., Aug. 14 or Tues., Aug. 15**. If I am unable to attend either, I will schedule a separate meeting with the SMP director for personal training.
- I agree to meet with my Beeson student at least bi-weekly for the duration of their practicum.
- I agree to do the best within my power to provide my student with opportunities to minister and fulfill the 7 required ministry experiences for the SMP.
- I agree to complete progress reports for my student twice a semester and submit them to the SMP office in a timely manner for the duration of the practicum.
- I agree to provide my Beeson student with a minimum of 12 hours of work per week in a ministry setting for the duration of the practicum.
- I agree to make myself available to my student for prayer, guidance, and feedback as needed. This includes but is not limited to additional meetings outside of the required bi-weekly meetings, as well as timely and responsive correspondence by email, text, phone, etc.
- I agree to make myself available to the Beeson SMP office as needed including but not limited to timely and responsive correspondence by email or phone.
- I agree to pray regularly for my student and their spiritual, academic, and personal growth throughout the duration of the practicum.

Sign: _____

Date: _____

Student I am mentoring*: _____ (print student's name)

*Please submit a separate form for each student you agree to mentor.