

A few of the most popular MINISTRY AND PEACE STUDIES placements available through The Philadelphia Center:

Acts Ministries; Ministry Intern: ACTS MINISTRIES is the mercy ministry of Tenth Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia. ACTS stands for Active compassion through service. ACTS mission is to motivate and prepare Christians for ministry of service and mercy. ACTS Ministries reaches out in the following ways: community dinners for our homeless neighbors; weekly fellowship bible study with homeless men, women, and people with AIDS; Nursing Home visitation ministry; prison ministry; ACTS Choral and Music Ensemble; divorce recovery ministry; tutoring and mentoring; and cross cultural dialogue.

Anti-Defamation League; Community Services Intern: The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) is a civil rights and human relations organization that fights anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry here and abroad, combats international terrorism, probes the roots of hatred, advocates before Congress, comes to the aid of victims of bigotry, develops educational programs, and serves as a public resource for government, media, law enforcement and the public, all toward the goals of countering and reducing hatred. With its National Headquarters in New York City, ADL has a network of Regional and Satellite Offices throughout America, and in Jerusalem, Vienna and Moscow. The mission of ADL today is, as it has been in the past, to expose and combat the purveyors of hatred in our midst, responding to whatever new challenges may arise. The particulars may change, but the goal remains the same: to stand up for the core values of America against those who seek to undermine them through word or deed. Community Services Intern will deal with aspects of direct constituent services, public relations, research and program administration. In the Community Services Department, intern will be responsible for responding to and researching individual and group complaints of discrimination; assisting in the planning of meetings and programs; researching varied topics; and drafting letters and memos on issues of prejudice.

Central Committee of Conscientious Objectors; Intern: The Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors (CCCO) is a nonprofit organization concerned with world peace issues. The Committee supports and promotes individual and collective resistance to war and preparations for war. CCCO publishes THE OBJECTOR: a magazine of conscience and resistance. Launched in 1995 as a successor to two previous CCCO publications, CCCO News Notes and The Objector: A Journal of Draft and Military Counseling, each issue of The Objector focuses on a particular theme in the struggle against militarism. Student Intern responsibilities include writing and editing The Objector researching military recruiting strategies, and conducting outreach in schools and targeted populations as counter-recruiters.

Frankford Group Ministry; Ministry Intern: The Frankford Group Ministry (FGM) is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the Frankford neighborhood in lower Northeast Philadelphia. The mission of FGM is to develop Frankford and its people spiritually, socially and economically. FGM provides programs that enhance the quality of life for children, youth and their families. FGM accomplishes this through a network of non-profit organizations including the Community Development Corporation of Frankford Group Ministry, Frankford Style (a community arts program), Frankford Human Relations Coalition and Frankford Group Ministry. Services/programs offered include Emergency Assistance (food, clothing, etc.), Youth Development (camps, after-school, counseling, etc.), Beacon Center (camp, sports teams, etc.) Neighborhood Parenting Program (workshops, support groups, book club, outings, social gatherings, etc.) and an Annual Community Christmas Dinner.

Old Pine Church; Ministry Intern: Old Pine Presbyterian Church is an historic church on Pine Street between 4th and 5th Streets in Society Hill. It's rich with history and it's surrounded by historic graveyards. The church has a small congregation but rich in life and in spirit. It is a church in the Presbyterian Church (USA). The church partners with a community center located next door. The intern may work closely with the seminary intern at Saturday for seniors, a food program which feeds and provides socialization for senior citizens in the community. Intern may also participate in weekly worship services, prepare Sunday School lessons, attend Bible studies, do home visits, assist at the community center and perform general office work. The position provides an excellent opportunity to understand what it's like to be a pastor. Students will learn the many different aspects of pastoral care.

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; Intern: WILPF works to achieve through peaceful means world disarmament, full rights for women, racial and economic justice, an end to all forms of violence, and to establish those political, social, and psychological conditions which can assure peace, freedom, and justice for all. WILPF offers internships for women with initiative and desire to enhance skills needed in a social change organization. Internship experiences are available in the following areas: the Dean Reed Program, publications, leadership/outreach, development, and internet communications. Duties include research, writing and layout for newsletters, attending conferences, and exploring international issues.

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