

SUMMER INTERNS

interns are the backbone of our summer programs. They work with a site director and a team of teens from the city to provide recreation, arts and crafts, bible study, and community learning opportunities for children aged 4 – 13 years old. these camps, located at local churches, run every weekday morning for 6 – 7 weeks. the intern program itself runs 7 – 8 weeks, including a thorough orientation. summer interns must be at least 18 years of age and have completed high school.

UrbanPromise provides summer day camps in Camden, New Jersey

Summer interns are placed in teams of 5 - 8 individuals and work under the direction of an experienced summer leader. The team partners with local teens who are employed in our StreetLeader program, and together they run UrbanPromise's day camps.

An essential part of the UrbanPromise philosophy is that a great deal of individual time needs to be spent with children. Therefore, summer interns spend the after-noons and evenings in relational time, using the opportunity to get to know the

children and their families on a more personal level and to encourage them in their Christian faith. These opportunities vary from city to city but may include afternoon basketball and softball leagues, a Bible Buddy program, performing arts programs, or educational tutoring.

For college-aged young people who enjoy working with children, this is an excellent opportunity! From songs and skits, to teaching classes, to refereeing basketball games, to learning double-dutch, to telling a Bible Buddy about God's love, interns spend a summer learning and using urban youth ministry skills!



"MY EXPERIENCE IN CAMDEN HAS TAUGHT ME AS MUCH ABOUT MYSELF AS IT DID ABOUT THE CULTURE AND COMMUNITY HERE. YOU MIGHT COME EXPECTING TO BLESS OTHERS, WHICH YOU

VERY WELL MAY, BUT THERE IS NOT WAY TO PREPARE YOURSELF FOR THE VARIED BLESSINGS THAT GOD PROVIDES THROUGH THE PEOPLE OF CAMDEN."

ALISON: INDIANA, USA.

YEAR-ROUND INTERNS

for those interested in making a longer commitment, urbanpromise offers a year-long internship opportunity. after spending a summer working in day camps, the year-long intern spends the academic year working in urbanpromise afterschool programs, as well as learning more in-depth about urban ministry. ideally, interns in the year-long program stay to complete a summer, armed with their deeper understanding of urban issues and increased urban ministry experience.

Interns who opt to participate in the year-long internship work in UrbanPromise afterschool programs in one of UrbanPromise's 4 cities. These programs provide homework assistance as well as recreation, arts and crafts and Bible study for elementary and junior high aged children. Each program is designed to give children a safe and fun place to go after school where learning is encouraged, and relationships are developed.

Year-round interns are placed in teams at each afterschool program site where each intern is

then responsible for a small group of children in that program. Interns also work with Street-Leaders in planning, preparing, and carrying out classroom activities.

Evening activities vary by city. Opportunities may include weekly activities for junior high students and StreetLeaders, gospel choirs, discipleship groups, or small group activities with children from the afterschool programs.

An additional component of the year-long internship is the academic training offered.



UrbanPromise is committed to training the intern staff to be better equipped to both run programs, as well as address a variety of urban issues and problems. While in some cities, the training is offered as weekly classes, while in other cities the training will involve guest speakers, and reading discussion groups. In every city, each intern will be challenged to reflect on their ministry work through an academic lens.

All interns take part in retreats and conferences, as well as regular weekly devotions. Interns are also encouraged to become involved in community service outside of UrbanPromise, to know the community they are serving better.

INTERN APPLICATION

name _____
last first middle name

s.s.n. / s.i.n. _____ birthday _____
month / day / year

home address _____
street

city state / province zip code / postal code

phone effective until: email

school address _____
street

city state / province zip code / postal code

phone effective until: email

education _____
university / college location

major grad year

church affiliation _____
church name city / state / country
 not currently involved in a church

employment history

dates (from-to)	organization and address	job title and responsibilities

references please include a christian ministry leader, and someone who has observed your work with children.

name	name	name
address	address	address
phone email	phone email	phone email
relationship	relationship	relationship

additional information please answer on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Please write a brief narrative of your Christian experience. Include people and circumstances that influenced your faith, how you express your faith in day to day life, and why you want to work with UrbanPromise.
2. Describe your previous involvement in ministry.
3. What are your strengths and weakness in relating to children and adults? Is there any age group you prefer or have difficulty handling?
4. How do you feel about working under a team leader of the opposite sex?
5. How do you feel about living in community? Briefly describe any previous experiences (2-3 sentences).
6. Describe any special talent or interests you may have including art, athletics, music, or languages. What other specific skills or training do you have that might be applicable to urban ministry?
7. Briefly describe your family. (2-3 sentences)
8. What is your favorite movie and why? (2-3 sentences)
9. What is your favorite Christian book (other than the Bible) and why? (2-3 sentences)

authorization my signature authorizes urbanpromise to conduct a background check including personal references and criminal history.

signed _____ date _____

this is an application for:

- summer intern
 year-round intern

dates of service:

from: _____
month / day / year

to: _____
month / day / year

general information:

have you ever been convicted of a criminal offense?
 yes no

if yes, please provide details on a separate sheet.

enclose:

please enclose a \$25 US non-refundable application fee (check or money order in US funds) and a recent photo of yourself (for id purposes only) with your completed application.

return to:

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