



How Do You Enroll in the Incubator?

The Ministry & Leadership Incubator runs from September through April of a given academic calendar year.

Participants are considered for program via *referral* and *recruitment*. Candidates are interviewed by leadership affiliated with the Incubator program and notified of their acceptance by the end of March. The Presbytery informs in time for seminary Field Ed approval deadlines.

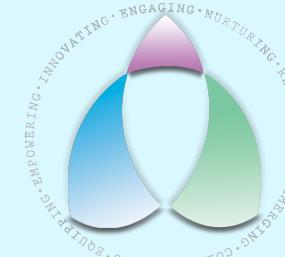
Approved candidates are assigned a local site based upon discerned gifts and the needs of the hosting congregations.

What About Stipend & Transportation?

Enrolled students receive the approved seminary stipend plus reimbursed travel expenses. We want to assure students are freed to serve as they participate in the Ministry and Leadership Incubator.

Questions & Inquiries

Please contact either our Executive or Associate Presbyter, information provided on the back of this pamphlet.



Ministry & Leadership Incubator

The Presbytery of Philadelphia is a covenant community whose primary ministry and mission is to serve our churches, connect and develop our leaders, and empower and support collaborative ministries so they may best exhibit the Gospel of Jesus Christ in neighborhoods throughout Greater Philadelphia and beyond.

Confident God is always faithful, we prayerfully abide, dwell, and build with one another, hopeful about God's wide-open possibilities for being the church in the world today.



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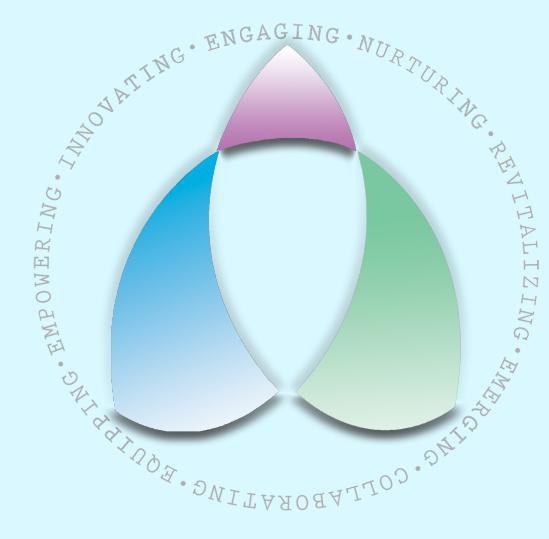
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Bringing Together...

Seminary Students

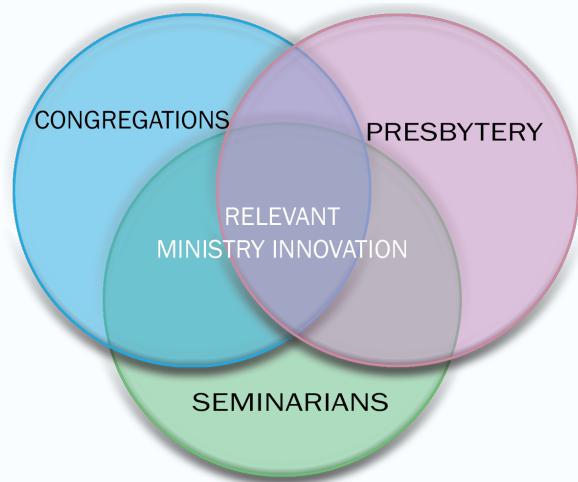
Local Congregations

*Presbytery of Philadelphia
...in our common mission to form and
equip new leaders for the work of
Christ in the world.*



What Is the Ministry & Leadership

The Ministry & Leadership Incubator of The Presbytery of Philadelphia connects six seminarians with three local congregations, two per site. Seminarians are mentored at the congregational level and nurtured within a peer cohort facilitated by Presbytery staff. In what is known as the Leadership Lab, the cohort gathers three times per semester to engage in intentional conversations and facilitated workshops about the complexities of ministry within the 21st century. Along the way, seminarians, local congregations, and presbytery leadership work together to design creative local ministry, energize and strengthen smaller churches, and equip the next generation of leaders.



MINISTRY & LEADERSHIP INCUBATOR

The Ministry and Leadership Incubator pairs two seminarians at one of three local congregations in the Greater Philadelphia area. Each of the participating congregations embodies a unique witness to the work of Christ based upon the identified needs, vision, social dynamics, and real concerns of their neighborhood. The call of the seminarians is to serve alongside the pastors, church members, and various community leaders in efforts to enhance existing ministries and dream of new possibilities for being the church in their particular context.



CEDAR PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Tyler Brinks grew up in Commerce Township, Michigan, and attended Hope College in Holland, Michigan. He graduated with a BA in Business with minors in Communications and American Ethnic Studies. A second-year student at Princeton, Tyler loves running, coffee, and listening to podcasts.



Tyler Brinks



Mariana Thomas

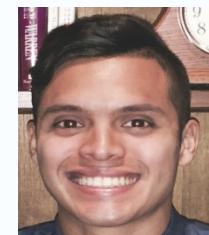
Mariana Thomas was born and raised on the Southside of Chicago and received her BA in Cross-Cultural Communication with a minor in History at Hope College. Currently a third-year student at Princeton, Mariana has been an active member of Princeton's Association of Black Seminarians, including acting as Moderator in 2017-2018 and is an avid traveler.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORRISTOWN

Nii Addo Abrahams is a Missouri native with bachelor's and master's degrees in Religious Studies. A former childcare director and summer camp staff manager, Nii is passionate about spiritual and leadership development for children, teens, and young adults. He is a second-year M.Div. student at Princeton.



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Emmanuel Castillo

Emmanuel Castillo was born in a small town south of Houston. After undergraduate studies at both Texas A & M and Southwestern Assemblies of God University, where he graduated with a B.A. in Biblical and Theological Studies, Emmanuel is now a second-year student at Princeton.

FOREST GROVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Nate Brantingham has a background in entrepreneurship and finance with a passion for teaching and startups. He is a published poet and has degrees in software project management and psychology. He currently works remotely as a Chief Financial Data Analyst and has no idea what he wants to do when he "grows up." Nate is a second-year M.Div. student at Princeton.



Nate Brantingham

Will Myers, originally from the Midwest, graduated from Wartburg College in 2017 with a Bachelors in Peace and Justice Studies. He is in his first summer at Princeton Theological Seminary where he is in the Master of Divinity program.



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