

URBAN LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

2017-18

Equipping a new generation of Christian leaders

CTC equips churches to transform their communities through the practices of community organising, theological reflection and prayer. The Centre developed as a result of a growing number of local churches of different denominations participating in community organising with Citizens UK. We work with a growing range of churches - including long-established congregations as well as new church plants. We believe churches in economically deprived areas have a vital role to play in the transformation of their communities, and of our wider society.

Leadership development is an essential aspect of our work especially in the communities and congregations we are connected with. CTC internships are a vital part of this, by allowing young people from a range of Christian backgrounds to explore how faith impacts public life.

CTC Summer Internship (Applications open in January – March 2017)

This is a **four week** programme offering training in church-based community organising, theological reflection and spiritual exploration. This is a challenging but rewarding programme where interns are encouraged to explore how churches and Christians can act for justice, mercy and faith sharing through community engagement. Interns will be placed in local churches that are active Citizens UK members in various boroughs in the east and south-east of London.

- We welcome all applicants aged **19 and over** from all parts of the world and from all Christian backgrounds.
- The 2017 programme will run from **Friday 23rd June – Sunday 23rd July 2017**
- We have established links with Anglican churches and are keen for applicants from Roman Catholic, Pentecostal and Baptist traditions as well as independent congregations.

Buxton Leadership Programme (Applications open December 2016 – February 2017)

This year-long programme is a unique opportunity to experience life in and around Westminster alongside church-based community organising. Interns will have the chance to explore the role of faith in public life both on a national level and at the grassroots. Successful applicants will spend half of the week working as community organisers in local churches on a range of campaigns and concerns. They will spend the other half of the week working for a political organization or in a parliamentary office.

- We welcome graduates from all parts of the UK and from all Christian backgrounds.
- The programme runs from **September 2017 – July 2018**
- The programme includes regular seminars, training and personal development input throughout the year
- Buxton Interns are paid at the London Living Wage

Seminars and Workshops

Throughout the year CTC organises day events, seminars and conferences for Christian leaders from a range of denominations to learn, reflect and share together. These may include talks by our friends and partners on relevant topics around faith and public life. We organise seminars and conduct training which equips leaders working in challenging areas such as interfaith, new denominations, or on specific policy areas.

We are occasionally visited by international guests involved in similar work abroad. Our planned visits can last up to three days explaining the purpose and work of CTC, what community organising is, and exploring possibilities for collaboration in future.