

HIGH KIRK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Technical Intern Scheme 2024-25



OUR TECHNICAL INTERN SCHEME

At High Kirk we run a flourishing Intern Scheme which traditionally provides 18–25-year-olds with a one-year practical placement to experience church ministry, develop their God given gifts, grow in their faith, and receive quality training, as part of the pastoral team. This year in addition to this, we're adding something a little different – a Technical Intern Scheme.

ROLES AVAILABLE 2024-25

We have one space available this incoming year which will focus on working within our Technology team. There will also be opportunities to be involved across other main ministry areas. This is ideal for anyone who has a desire to serve God, a desire to develop their technical knowledge and skills, and a willingness to learn from others. Anyone from within and outside our church family is welcome to apply. The Intern will be expected to become fully active in the life of High Kirk for the duration of the scheme.

WHAT NEXT?

If you are interested in taking up this opportunity, please get in touch for an application form. To apply for a space on the scheme you must submit a completed form by no later than midday on Wednesday 28th August. Interviews will be conducted on in early September.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR INTERN SCHEME

High Kirk is a large church by Northern Ireland standards, and is heavily dependent on technology to support its many ministries and activities. The Technical Intern Scheme offers a unique opportunity to get hands on experience and quality training across a wide variety of technologies, and develop and understanding of how the technical team serves as part of the church body. Although the Technology Sub-Committee and wider technology team are volunteers rather than church staff, they are highly committed to the work of the church. Many members of the team are highly qualified and experienced in their various disciplines, and the Intern will have an opportunity to work with and learn from some of the most knowledgeable technical experts in Northern Ireland.

The Internship will cover a multitude of technical areas, including Audio, Video, Lighting, IT, Electrical, Photography, and Multimedia Production to name just a few.

Technology is only of value if it supports and enhances the work of the church. With that in mind, we also want to invest in you as an Intern by helping you grow in your spiritual gifts and providing opportunities to experience some of the church ministries.

WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

We expect our interns to have and be a positive influence within the areas they are involved, and be living their lives in a manner which reflects the teachings and values of Jesus. Those applying should be:

- A committed Christian
- Invested in your own spiritual health
- Passionate about people and the Kingdom
- Be open to learning and desiring to develop their gifts
- Willing to challenge themselves
- Celebrating the ethos and vision of our church

Qualifications

- GCSE in Maths and English and at least one technical subject e.g. Technology & Design, Digital Technology, Moving Image Arts, Business & Communications Systems.
- Experience of working in a voluntary capacity in either Audio (PA or Recording), Video, Lighting, or IT.
- Age 18 or above on or before 1st October 2024
- Ability to work using their own initiative

COMMITMENT

Our desire is to provide our Interns with a broad and full experience of our ministry; and so the practical time commitment required will be in the region of the following:-

Up to 6 week days, with 2-3 evening sessions each week, including Sundays, totaling

approximately 28 hours per week. Given the nature of the role, flexibility is a necessity, however we will work closely with the intern to plan work schedules in advance.

The church is committed to ensuring that each intern receives a living allowance of £80 per week as part of the scheme. The church will also cover pre-agreed expenses incurred through your work.

Interviews will be in early September.

The start date for the Internship will be Monday 7th October 2024, and will run until the end of August 2025.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT

Church Office: 02825 644834 // brian.adams@highkirk.org.uk



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APPLY

Complete & return this form by **12 noon on Wednesday 28th August** to:

Intern Scheme
High Kirk Presbyterian Church
65-71 Thomas Street
Ballymena
BT43 6AZ

Or send via email to:
brian.adams@highkirk.org.uk

Position Applied for : Volunteer Technical Intern

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name

D.O.B.

Address & Postcode

Phone

Email

National Insurance Number

Current Driving License

Yes

No

Groups

Expiry Date

Access to own transport

Yes

No

Details of endorsements

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

Please outline details of the highest level of qualifications you currently hold, including where from. Please also include anything else you feel may be relevant to this scheme.

University Tech College School	Qualifications Gained

Employment History

Please outline details of any recent previous employment roles. Please complete in full and use an additional sheet if necessary.

Dates of Employment	Employer Name & Address	Role	Reason for Leaving

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Please detail any other personal achievements you feel may be relevant to your application and this scheme.

CHRISTIAN LIFE & MOTIVATIONS

Please list any churches you have actively attended and / or been a part of, and any reasons for leaving, if necessary.

Explain how you came to faith in Jesus Christ and your experience of the Christian life so far.

Please outline any experience you have of Christian or Church based ministry.

What motivates you to want to participate in this Intern scheme?

How do you meet the criteria outlined in the "Who Are We Looking For?" on page 2 of this Intern Scheme pack?

HEALTH DETAILS

Please outline any physical / mental impairment, disorders, allergies or illnesses (including medicines, drugs or treatments you are currently receiving) we need to be aware of which has a substantial effect on your ability to carry out day-to-day activities.

Please specify any special arrangements you will need to attend an interview and / or work as part of this scheme.

CAUTIONS, REHABILITATION AND CRIMINAL RECORDS

Please note any criminal convictions except those 'spent' under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. If none please state.

In certain circumstances employment is dependent upon obtaining a satisfactory basic disclosure from the Criminal Records Bureau / Scottish Criminal Records Office. Any disclosure made will remain strictly confidential.

Do you authorise us to obtain any necessary information connected with this application for employment?

Yes

No

CHARACTER REFERENCES

Please provide two character references who know you well, one of which should be able to comment on your Christian life and witness. Character references will be contacted following interviews.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Relationship to you _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Relationship to you _____

DECLARATION

I confirm that the above information is complete and correct and that any true or misleading information will give High Kirk Presbyterian Church the right to terminate any contract offered with immediate effect.

I agree to undergo any check, including medical, which may be required by the Church or under law, in respect of my suitability to do this work, and understand that any appointment will be subject to those checks being made.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Please now return the completed application form to:
Intern Scheme, High Kirk Presbyterian Church, 65-71 Thomas Street, Ballymena, BT43 6AZ
or via email to brian.adams@highkirk.org.uk

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ADDITIONAL NOTES