SYNETHISIS PAPER

Synthesis Evaluation

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Of the Requirements for the Course

FED 750, Field: Church/Community; Practicum; or Internship

By

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Date

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Synthesis Evaluation:

As a synthesis of the FED course that you completed please discuss the following rubric. This document will serve as an Artifact used as part of your final Candidacy Assessment. This document should be uploaded as a “Word” document to the appropriate D2L Dropbox. Each of the Headings should serve as an element for your discussion. Please include the Cover Sheet (Example above).

Your field education placement provided an opportunity for engaging in ministry in a particular context with supervision and mentoring by a clergy or non-profit leaders. This form provides you with the opportunity to reflect upon the way in which you served and grew in this placement period, as well as to offer your reflections on the site and supervisor with whom you engaged. The Office of Field Education will read this form from three perspectives:

1. To understand how you have grown and to identify areas for future growth
2. To refine and add to our knowledge about a particular placement site
3. To refine and add to our knowledge about a particular supervisor

Please be candid on this form. This information will not be shared by our office with your site or your supervisor; you should not share this completed form with anyone other than The Office of Field Education. If you have additional information to share after this form has been submitted, you may submit a written addendum to this evaluation at any time.

Evaluation of Myself

1. *low, 5 high, 0 not applicable)*

*Relationship and Contract Building*

Choose 0-5 I took initiative to engage widely among persons at my ministry site.

Choose 0-5 I took responsibility for identifying and discussing my learning needs, and focusing my internship to meet them.

Choose 0-5 I took responsibility to express concerns when they arose.

Choose 0-5 I used this placement as an opportunity to clarify my sense of vocation and to gain the skills I need to sustain that vocation.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Relationship Centered in Christ*

Choose 0-5 I am regularly and intentionally practicing spiritual disciplines to sustain Christian life ordered toward holiness, justice, peace and reconciliation.

Choose 0-5 My life and ministry evidences the fruit of the Spirit: outward expressions of love, oy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Skills for Ministry*

Choose 0-5 I am responsive to the suggestions, efforts and the feelings of others.

Choose 0-5 I hold in trust sensitive or confidential information.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in skills for cultivating and encouraging others in the Christian faith.

Choose 0-5 I am learning to encourage others in the practice of spiritual disciplines through witness and education.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in awareness of the suffering of others and my desire to relieve that suffering.

Choose 0-5 I am becoming more other-focused, open and approachable.

Choose 0-5 I am learning to be aware of my own emotions as I engage in various ministry situations.

Choose 0-5 I am cultivating skills and growing in confidence in resolving conflict and reconciling conflicting parties.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Proclaiming*

Choose 0-5 I am growing in my ability to integrate Scripture, theology and tradition in a context to proclaim the gospel with clarity, power, reverence, and pastoral imagination.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in my ability to think theologically about the doctrines and practices of the church, respecting the tradition, with an eye toward the challenges of our time.

Choose 0-5 I am learning to teach, instruct and guide others.

Choose 0-5 I am learning to listen and respond to the desires and needs of the congregation.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in comfort and skill in leading worship.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Leading*

Choose 0-5 I am growing in attentiveness to where God is at work in ministry situations.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in attentiveness to how persons and systems respond to a ministry situation or event.

Choose 0-5 I am growing to be teachable, responsive to feedback, and correctable.

Choose 0-5 I am willing to be personally accountable for outcomes and results.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in my organizational skills such that I can develop and maintain order and structure within my personal life and my professional life.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in my ability to plan, prioritize, and accomplish tasks in a timely manner.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in my ability to lead a group discussion and manage group dynamics.

Choose 0-5 I am growing in my ability to identify gifts in others, and to delegate, encourage, equip, empower and celebrate other’s accomplishments.

Choose 0-5 I am learning to partner with others to make and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ.

Choose 0-5 I am becoming more mindful as a leader in ministry of following Jesus. Summarize the key things you learned about your own competencies and readiness for ministry:

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

Evaluation of Supervision

(1 low, 5 high, 0 not applicable)

*Relationship and Covenant Building*

Choose 0-5 My supervisor and I collaborated to craft my Learning-Serving Covenant.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor introduced me to the setting and the people.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor and I met regularly each week.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor and I spent significant time together reflecting theologically.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor and I prayed with and for each other.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor and I met and discussed the final evaluation together.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Supervisor Skills*

Choose 0-5 My supervisor took an interest in what I hoped to practice and learn about ministry.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor’s expectations were clear and I felt welcome to seek clarification.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor provided me with opportunities to see strategic thinking and planning modeled, and to practice it myself.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor provided me with opportunities to exercise leadership in this setting.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor took care to help point out my strengths and growing edges in ministry.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor was available and approachable.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor modeled good conflict-resolution skills.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor was supportive of me, even in difficult situations, and advocated or me when needed.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Mentoring Skills*

Choose 0-5 My supervisor took a personal and professional interest in engaging me around vocational clarity.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor helped me connect with persons in the congregation and community.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor demonstrated building and maintaining strong relationships with others.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor communicated openly and authentically and listened to others.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor encouraged me, increased my confidence, pushed gently at the right time, motivated, and inspired me.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor assisted me in solving my own problems (rather than solving them for me).

Choose 0-5 My supervisor provided constructive feedback that helped me become more effective.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor asked for feedback from me.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor engaged in reflection with me: stepping back, evaluating, processing, assessing, and articulating lessons learned.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor’s mentoring style helped me to go deeper and grow in ministerial competency.

Choose 0-5 My supervisor role modeled effective ministry leadership.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Summary*

Choose 0-5 My supervisor is a strong and able supervisor who is a careful mentor with personal enthusiasm for working with theological students.

Choose 0-5 I would recommend that my supervisor work with future Field Ed students.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

Evaluation of Placement

(1 low, 5 high, 0 not applicable)

This evaluation discusses how your Field Education Experience Will Affect Your Vocation; present/future or practice of ministry, i.e., how this experience enhanced, affirmed, and/or informed your theology and theory of ministry. Examples; i.e. Discussions, Case Studies, Supervision; how the experience will be relevant to your background and calling. How you felt the Site was adequate for your ministerial and vocational identity?

*Course Requirements*

Choose 0-5 Information was gained from courses, prerequisites, classes, or instructions, (e.g., your PRM 673 Introduction to Pastoral Care class) and/or other practical theology classes?

Choose 0-5 Teaching methods were used by your pastor(s), supervisor(s), and instructor as additions that were an aid in preparing me for my practicum ministry work? (e.g., literature, practical insights, reflections, etc).

Choose 0-5 The FED Handbook was a worthy tool to assist me in the preparation of my Ministry Contract, how to prepare a Case Study and complete my Weekly Discussions?

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Formation of the Intern*

Choose 0-5 The mentor(‘s) formed a committee or mentoring format to support my internship.

Choose 0-5 The mentor(‘s) took an interest in what I hoped to practice and learn about ministry.

Choose 0-5 This mentor(‘s) helped bring clarity to my call, gifts, and pastoral identity.

Choose 0-5 This mentor(‘s) helped me envision ministry in a new way.

Choose 0-5 The mentor(‘s) met with me periodically throughout my internship.

Choose 0-5 The mentor(‘s) met and discussed the final evaluation with me.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Habits and Virtues of the Community*

Choose 0-5 The Site was theologically grounded in decision-making and change.

Choose 0-5 The Site was aware of its history, and yet focused on the present and future.

Choose 0-5 The Site was missional in its focus and practice.

Choose 0-5 The Site has a working knowledge of its local and world context.

Choose 0-5 The Site was engaged in ministry in its local community.

Choose 0-5 The Site partners with churches and non-profits to achieve common goals.

Choose 0-5 The Site embraces and empowers lay and/or volunteer leadership.

Choose 0-5 The Site welcomes visitors and assimilates new members/volunteers.

Choose 0-5 The Site made decisions and dealt with conflicts in a healthy way.

Choose 0-5 The Site balances worship, education and fellowship and mission.

Choose 0-5 The Site sees its assets, including facilities and funds, as resources for mission in the world.

Choose 0-5 The Site expects and receives a high level of personal commitment and participation by members or volunteers.

Choose 0-5 The Site values helping members and/or volunteers grow in faith.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Hospitality*

Choose 0-5 The Site community welcomed my partnership in ministry.

Choose 0-5 The Site community seeks a diversity of people (think along lines of race, socio-economics, theological perspectives, etc.).

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

*Summary*

Choose 0-5 This Site community is a “teaching community” that cultivated my competencies.

Choose 0-5 This Site should be a future Field Ed placement.

Comments: Discuss reasons for your choices above: (2-3 paragraphs, 3-5 sentences each).

Field Education: Site Evaluation Report

FED 672/673/750/755/781

Ministry Site Experience,

Please copy, scan, or submit a picture of your Supervisor(s) Evaluation(s) document to the end of this document. Make sure that you have also uploaded the original Final Evaluation to the appropriate D2L Dropbox as well.