

Job Description: Director of College Ministry

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Position Summary

The Director of College Ministry at Aldersgate UMC will develop and oversee a discipleship ministry for, and with, college students from any institution of higher learning in the Abilene area and will develop and oversee an outreach ministry that provides opportunities and equips congregation members to serve and to offer Christ to the students, faculty, and staff members of McMurry University. They will be expected to be available to college students and to provide a hospitable and accepting place for college students to grow in their faith and to develop skills to help other disciples to grow. They will serve as a bridge between the congregation and the McMurry University campus, staying aware of needs and designing opportunities to serve those needs with the skills and the resources of the congregation. The Director of College Ministry will report directly to the pastor of Aldersgate UMC.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities (Discipleship & Outreach):

- Part-time position, consisting of 20 hours per week.
- Build relationships and connect with college students on campus during the week, every week.
- Attend and participate in all staff meetings.
- Be present at church every Sunday morning, attending at least one of the worship services in addition to leading a college Sunday school class and/or connecting with college students in other classes.
- Personally lead a small group and/or Bible study class with college students at least 1 day per week that invites and inspires them to grow in their faith.

- Design and facilitate service opportunities and/or mission trips for students within the Aldersgate Mission Field.
- Meet with students as needed and appropriate when they ask for guidance or prayer, etc.
- Work closely, intentionally and strategically with the McMurry staff, and stay informed of current and emerging needs on the campus.
- Develop and cultivate a small team of people (4-5) who both attend Aldersgate and have ties to McMurry (work there, attended there, etc.) to develop opportunities for service and invite other congregation members to participate.
- This position will be evaluated and subject to change based on current needs of the church on a school semester basis.
- There will be some occasions when the Director of College Ministry will not be expected to work (such as certain holidays, etc...); this will be determined by the pastor as appropriate.

Qualifications and Expectations

- Possess a deep and growing love for God and others. A desire to grow into Christlikeness.
- Communicate with congregation about the plans, events, and needs of both parts of the ministry (discipleship and outreach) through pulpit announcements, Aldersgate in Action (newsletter/bulletin) articles, administrative board meetings, social media, text messages, etc.
- Join Aldersgate as a member and participate in the life of the church beyond the college ministry.
- Make a commitment and effort to maintain reconciled relationships with other staff members.
- Join the rest of the staff and congregation in completing an estimate of giving card each year (and make every effort to fulfill that commitment to God and the church).

• A bachelor's degree (preferred), with some focus on religion or Christian ministry (preferred).

Application Information

Interested parties are invited to submit cover letters and resumes to both Brad Hicks, SPRC Chairperson, at hicksb1215@hotmail.com and to Amy Wilson Feltz, Associate Pastor, at amywilsonfeltz@aldersgateabilene.org.