



**2020 SUMMER MISSIONARY
APPLICATION**

Summer Missionary Basics

What is MissionLab?

MissionLab is a non-profit Christian missions organization based at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. We provide weeklong mission trips for groups coming to New Orleans to serve by matching them with ministry sites here in the city, along with providing housing, meals, and worship events on our campus. We plan mission trips solely to New Orleans at this time, because that is where our organization is currently led to serve. During the summer, MissionLab is primarily a youth missions program (although we do have several college, adult, and family groups in attendance as well) where hundreds of students and chaperones come each week to learn missions, do missions, and be missionaries. Last summer, we had over 2,000 people serve with us in missions over nine weeks!

What does it mean to be a MissionLab SM?

Each summer we bring in a staff of college-age men and women from all over the country to serve in New Orleans alongside the permanent MissionLab staff. The summer missionary is responsible for partnering with our groups as a helper and disciple-maker and serving alongside them at their assigned ministry sites around the city of New Orleans. As a summer missionary, you will invest in the spiritual lives of the students that come to MissionLab each week and help them understand their call to missions (and sometimes even help lead them into a relationship with Christ). Simply put, you will be in a leadership position serving as a mentor and role model to middle and high school students. You also work with the permanent staff to maintain the day-to-day functions of camp, helping with everything from enforcing lights-out, to running errands, to setting up for worship nights, to assisting with office duties, and much more. The hours are long, the work is tough, but in the end, students' lives are changed and God is glorified!

Summer missionaries receive free summer housing on our campus (*SMs are required to live together for the summer for unity-building purposes—men and women separately, of course*). They also get free meals Sunday night through Friday lunch each week, as well as a weekly ministry stipend in the amount of \$250 per week.

What are the requirements for serving as a SM?

- At least 18 years old, and must have been out of high school for *at least* one year by the first day of the job (*having completed one year of college is preferred*)
- Must profess a Christian faith as a follower of Jesus, and must have a willingness to share the message of Jesus with others
- Have a genuine love for students
- Have the desire to serve in a missions-oriented setting
- Strong work ethic, integrity, and the ability to work well with a large team of people
- Willingness to serve in a position of leadership for student groups

When do SMs work?

Summer missionaries must arrive between 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 24th, 2020 and will depart no earlier than the morning of Wednesday, August 5th, 2020. We provide a week of training starting on May 24th. A typical camp week begins on Sunday at 2 p.m. with set-up and prep, and ends Friday around 2 p.m.. Summer missionaries are “on duty” for a majority of the week, with some evenings and most Saturdays off. There is a brief “mid-summer break” during early July.

Note: Please do not include this page or the previous page when submitting your application.

Summer Missionary Application

Personal Information

Name: _____ At least 18 years of age? **Yes / No**

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Current Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Best Phone Number to Reach You: _____

Email: _____

US Citizen? **Yes / No** If no, country of citizenship: _____

College/Grad School Attending/Attended: _____

College Major/Minor: _____

Current College Year (*Circle One*):

Fr. Soph. Jr. Sr. Graduated Grad School Other _____

Work Experience

Current/Former (←*Circle One*) place of employment: _____

Duties/Responsibilities: _____

Supervisor's name: _____ May we contact this person? **Y/N**

If yes, supervisor's phone number: _____

Have you ever worked in a camp or missions camp setting before? **Yes / No**

If so, when and where: _____

What were your responsibilities? _____

Have you ever been a summer/semester/volunteer missionary before? **Yes / No**

If so, when and where: _____

What is God currently teaching you?

Church you're currently attending: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Years attended: _____

Denomination (please check one):

- Baptist (Southern)
- Baptist (non-Southern): _____
- Catholic
- Episcopal
- Methodist
- Pentecostal
- Presbyterian
- Non-denominational / Interdenominational
- Other (please list): _____

Are you currently involved in any ministry (personal or organizational)? If so, please list and describe.

List all previous work or leadership positions involving children and/or youth.

MissionLab Information

How did you hear about MissionLab? _____

Have you been to New Orleans before? **Yes / No**

Have you previously attended MissionLab? **Yes / No** If yes, when? _____

Have you previously applied to work for MissionLab? **Yes / No**

Have you previously been employed by MissionLab? **Yes / No** If yes, When? _____

Why do you want to work for MissionLab?

Why do you want to work in New Orleans?

What do you expect to learn from this summer?

Skills & Talents

Please list any special skills or talents that you have that would contribute to the ministry of MissionLab:

Personality Information

In your opinion, what is the best way to deal with conflict?

How do you relate to those in authority?

What qualities do you have that would be advantageous to our staff & program?

What age group do you prefer working with and why?

What do you like to do in your spare time? (i.e. hobbies)

Is there anything in your lifestyle that could hinder your ability to serve as a representative of Christ and of MissionLab and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain: _____

Other

Would you be interested in the opportunity to earn class credit during the summer through New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary or Leavell College?

Yes: _____ No: _____

Do you have any health problems that might be of concern with regard to your work with MissionLab?

Yes: _____ No: _____

Do you have any allergies that our staff may need to be aware of for your safety? If yes, please explain, if relevant. _____

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Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, please explain: _____

References (No Family Members Please)

1. Pastor or College Minister (former or current):

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____ State of Residence: _____

How long have you known this person? _____

2. Former or Current Employer:

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____ State of Residence: _____

How long have you known this person? _____

3. Friend or Mentor:

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____ State of Residence: _____

How long have you known this person? _____

4. Additional Reference (Optional):

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____ State of Residence: _____

How long have you known this person? _____

Applicant's Statement

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize references or organizations listed in this application to provide information (including opinions) they may have regarding my character and fitness for working with children or youth. I release all such references from any liability for furnishing such evaluations, provided they do so in good faith and without malice. I waive any right I may have to inspect references provided on my behalf. Should I be accepted for hire with MissionLab, I agree to be bound by the procedures and policies of MissionLab and to refrain from unscriptural conduct in the performance of my services on behalf of the organization. I further state that I have carefully read the foregoing release and know the content thereof, and I sign this release as my own free act. This is a legally binding agreement, which I have read and understand.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application Submission Information

Please complete all sections of the application. Submission should include:

_____ Photo *(Optional)*

_____ Completed Application

All applications should be RECEIVED by 11:59 pm, January 31st, 2020.

Please note that submitting an application does NOT guarantee an interview.

This application can be emailed, mailed, or faxed to the MissionLab office.

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