

MATUL Urban Ministry Experience

Urban Ministry Experience (1-2 pages, single-spaced)

Living, learning, worshiping, and serving in urban marginal communities exposes you to the fullness of God's Kingdom. At the same time, working towards Faith-Rooted Transformation of such communities is deeply challenging. To thrive in vocations of transformation within the City requires the development of numerous capacities. The following lists outline some of these needed capacities:

- Emotional intelligence: recognizing and responding appropriately to the emotions of others.
- Developing others: collaborating with others to grow and accomplish their goals.
- Service orientation: desire to work with others for transformation.
- Understanding differences: recognizing the unique ways culture, socio-economic background, religious tradition, and personal experience shape others and self
- Influence: the ability to communicate a message so that people will change their behaviors and thoughts.
- Teamwork: forming effective working relationships with others.
- Conflict management: engaging conflict to finding a solution that brings opposing parties positive outcomes.

In 1-2 pages, describe any relevant urban ministry experience where you have made progress in developing any of the above-listed competencies. Experiences might include developing a cross-cultural or cross-class friendship, service with a church or non-profit in a marginal urban community, or intentional relocation into an urban marginal community.

Please submit through the applicant portal at <u>www.home.apu.edu</u> or to your admissions counselor Audie Diggs at <u>adiggs@apu.edu</u>.