



Reitmeier Residency

AT FAITHBRIDGE

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Reitmeier Residency at Faithbridge is a two-year program designed to catalyze ministry careers by equipping high-capacity college graduates with the teaching, leadership, pastoral, and entrepreneurial skills needed to succeed in modern ministry. This program combines hands-on ministry training at Faithbridge with seminary education and church planting experience.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR CANDIDATES WHO

- Are recent college graduates (ages 21-24 at program start)
- Are professing Christians aligned with Faithbridge's values
- Have a demonstrated history of disciple-making
- Are exploring a call to vocational ministry
- Possess strong work ethic, teachability, and servant-heartedness

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Master of Theological Studies (MTS) degree from Truett Seminary in Houston
- Hands-on ministry experience and leadership development
- Extensive preaching and teaching training and experience
- Church planting experience and mentorship
- Post-residency job placement assistance

COMPENSATION & SUPPORT

- Stipend: \$21,000 per year (\$1,750/month)
- Housing: Provided through host homes at no cost
- Education: MTS tuition largely covered through combined scholarships (Faithbridge contributes up to \$4,000/year plus additional institutional support)
- Study Trip: Biblical sites travel fully covered
- Note: No health/dental benefits; books and seminary supplies are resident's responsibility

YEAR 1:

MINISTRY PROFICIENCY

- Learn to lead in ministry in areas like Faithbridge Student Ministry (FSM), Young Adults, Men's, Women's, Worship, and more
- Weekly one-on-one coaching with your ministry supervisor
- Biweekly preaching and teaching training with Faithbridge's teaching team
- Weekly leadership development from leaders around Houston
- Seminary classes (primarily Mondays) toward your MTS degree through Truett Houston

YEAR 2:

MINISTRY LEADERSHIP

- Embed with a Houston-area church plant four days per week
- Build and lead a ministry program at your church plant
- Continue weekly coaching and development at Faithbridge
- Complete your Master of Theological Studies from Truett Seminary

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 1, 2026

COHORT SIZE: 4-6 residents

REQUIREMENTS: Must also apply to Truett Seminary's MTS program

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY, CONTACT:

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