CROSSPOINT UNIVERSITY OVERVIEW

PURPOSE

CrossPoint University (CPU) is a church-based training and sending system for all leadership and pastoral training for CrossPoint Church and our partners. There are 4 distinct levels that can be participated in and the option to participate as little or as complete as the individual would like to.

The training is developed around Psalm 78:70. Calling (God's purpose for you), Prepared (Equipping for your calling), Upright (Developing a leaders heart), Skilled (Developing the abilities to lead).

Our goal is to equip as well as evaluate and assess the future leaders of CrossPoint Church and church planters abroad. CPU is committed to finding and creating:

- Committed Followers LG
- Equipped Leaders GU
- Effective Pastors and Planters SA

Committed Followers - is defined as helping people understand their relationship with God and how that influences their unique identity.

Equipped Leaders - is defined as developing people in the area of leadership and teaching them how to grow themselves in their church leadership roles.

Effective Pastors and Planters - is defined as training people with an educational and hands-on approach to doing ministry.

PARTNERSHIPS

We are privileged to partner with Midwestern Theological Seminary and the Kansas-Nebraska Convention of Southern Baptist in order to create credible and sustainable content and resources for our future leaders.

LEARNING STYLES

CPU is designed to engage many learning styles in order to develop a wide spectrum of future leaders and planters. Styles include: Large group meetings, cohort-style development and accountability, ongoing online discussion, coaching, and classroom learning.

OUTLINE

Year 1

Phase One - An 8 week course on Leadership in the area of calling.

- Assessments
- What You Do Best in the Body of Christ by Bruce Bugbee
- Meet in person to start (broken into cohorts)
- Meeting in person to end (Completion meeting)
- Online discussions every other week
- Biblical Foundations study (Theology)

Phase Two - A series of five 5-week (5x5) courses on various topics as a continuation from Phase One. These Courses will fit in the topics of being prepared. Each 5-week course will revolve around:

- One book or study per 5 week study
- Weekly online discussions
- The 5 topics will be: Leadership, Relationships, Disciple/Evangelism, Disciplines, and Stewardship
- Biblical Foundations Study (New Testament)
- Final paper to summarize topic

Year 2

Phase Three - An 8 week course on specific training for pursuing an upright heart in ministry. The completion of Phase One and Two are required to attend Phase Three and Phase Four. At this time, participants will be broken up in to separate learning tracts and placed in cohorts with like tracts.

- Book Study
- Meet in-person to start (break into cohorts according to tracts)
- Meet in-person to end (Completion Meeting)
- Online cohort discussions every other week
- Pastor interview paper
- Biblical Foundations Study (Apologetics)

Phase Four - A series of five 5-week courses (5x5) on specific ministry topics as a continuation from Phase Three. These Courses will fit in the topics of being skilled. Each 5-week course will revolve around:

- One book or study per 5 week study
- Weekly online cohort discussions
- Final paper to summarize topic
- Biblical Foundations Study (Old Testament)

PHASE THREE AND FOUR TRACTS

At the beginning of year 2 participants will designate a specific tract that would like up with their calling. Participants will be placed in their cohorts at the beginning of phase three based on their chosen tract but will not truly start tract specific training until phase Four. The available tracts will be:

- Church and Campus Planting
- Worship Arts
- Family Ministry (children and youth)
- Pastoral Leadership
- Growing and Sending

ACCOMPLISHMENT RECOGNITION

Each Phase will have its own recognition because it is important to validate the accomplishments of each individual who completes a phase. This also facilitates natural exit points for those that may not have a desire to move on further through CPU.

Through our partnership with Midwestern Theological seminary, we will be able to offer an accredited certificate in Biblical Foundations for those that make it all the way through CPU along with at least 12 college credit hours.

PARTICIPATION

CPU is designed for everyone from the volunteer who wants learn a little more about themselves to the determined church planter ready to set out on their own. If you were to view CPU as a filter, the entry point is wide and non-discriminating, but the farther you go the focus narrows. This enables CPU to develop a wide range of people while maintaining the ability to provide specific training to the few.

COST

It is the goal to make CPU as affordable as possible in order to see a larger number of participants. The cost for each participant is simply the cost of the resources that they will be using or have access to. CrossPoint Church does not profit financially from CPU, only in leadership capital. The cost passed onto the participant includes books, assessments, cost of speakers, meals, and a some ancillary pieces for the course. Our hope is to incrementally decrease the cost for the participant while increasing the experience of CPU.