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Continuing Education for Global Ministry

**What is the Continuing Education for Global Ministry Program?**

The Continuing Education for Global Ministry Program offers opportunities for active clergy in parish ministry to be placed with an international partner for three months. This placement, possibly in their companion diocese can serve as either a sabbatical or a continuing education experience. The Partnerships staff will find suitable placements for the participants, through their relationships with partner churches around the world. Although the placements may likely be in parish ministry, the host bishop may ask the participants to do tasks that require other skills and expertise. The participant will serve under the jurisdiction of the host Bishop and will be required to abide by their Canons during the placement.

**Aims of the Program**

This program will give clergy an opportunity to:

- increase their awareness of global issues
- experience parish ministry in a different context and environment than their own
- gain some cross-cultural experience and exposure
- share their knowledge and experience with the host church
- further their commitment to the Anglican Church of Canada's ministry in living out God's mission.

**Qualifications for participation in this program**

- Participants must be active clergy in their diocese
- Have at least three years of experience in ordained ministry
- Be recommended by their Diocesan Bishop
- Submit an application and three references
- Be required to attend an Orientation Conference before departure
- Be required to attend a Debriefing Conference on return to Canada
- Complete a medical examination and be medically approved by the Medical Consultant of the Anglican Church of Canada

**Timing**

Normally departures of program applicant will take place shortly after their attendance at an orientation conference. Timing for these placements is critical, since the Orientation Conferences are held in early January and early June of each year. Thus it is expected that applicants would depart for their host country either in January/February or June/July and return to Canada in March/April or August/September.

**Expenses Paid by the Applicant**

- Fees for Orientation Conference in Toronto
- Fees for Debriefing Conference after the placement
- Travel to and from the above conferences, and to and from the placement overseas

- Any costs related to required immunizations and medical examinations and expatriate insurance
- Airport taxes, visa fees and immunizations required for country of placement
- Modest living allowance to cover food and travel within country of placement

### **Financing Options**

The program will be self-financed through clergy's continuing education funds, other diocesan grants, where possible, and personal funds.

### **Assistance from the General Synod and Host Church**

- The General Synod will provide a Partnerships Visit grant of \$600.00 to the participant.
- The General Synod staff will assist with the selection of a suitable placement.
- The host Church provides housing during the placement.

Personal items, clothing, toiletries, books and equipment, a valid passport, required are the responsibility of the participant. The country of placement will determine other cost of the program, e.g. airfares, visa requirements, cost of living. (See estimates below).

### **Sample of estimates for two placements in 2008**

<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Halifax to South Africa</b>	<b>Edmonton to Belize</b>
Orientation Program Fees	\$ 1,860.00	\$1,860.00
Travel to Orientation Program in Toronto	625.00	500.00
Required Immunizations	600.00	200.00
Allowance for 3 months	1,500.00	1,500.00
Entry Visa Fees	0.00*	0.00*
Travel to Country of Placement	1,860.00	1,700.00
Medical Travel Insurance	400.00	400.00
Debriefing Program Fees	500.00	500.00
Travel to Debriefing Program in Toronto	520.00	520.00
<b>Estimated Total Cost</b>	<b><u>\$ 7,855.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 7,160.00</u></b>

\*Application Fees for most countries that require Canadians to have entry visas are about \$75.00 Cdn.