



SPIRITUAL FORMATION AND PRAYER

## **Spiritual Formation & Prayer Specialist**

Prayer Focus

New England Region

*In response to God's love, grace and truth:*

*The Purpose of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship/USA is to establish and advance at colleges and universities witnessing communities of students and faculty who follow Jesus as Savior and Lord: growing in love for God, God's Word, God's people of every ethnicity and culture and God's purposes in the world.*

Supervised by: Assistant Regional Ministry Director

Supervises: None

Status: Full-Time / Exempt (Minister)

### **POSITION SUMMARY**

**To advance the mission and purpose of InterVarsity as noted above, this position will** provide spiritual formation and prayer opportunities and training for all campus ministers across InterVarsity New England.

### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

#### **Personal Spiritual Health**

- Be a maturing disciple of Jesus Christ: growing in love for God, God's Word, God's people of every ethnicity and culture, and God's purposes in the world
- Practice regular spiritual disciplines
- Pursue spiritual relationships (Spiritual Direction) and involvement in a worshipping community
- Continue learning and growth in spiritual understanding, biblical knowledge, spiritual formation, prayer, ministry experience, and skills
- Experience and live out an ongoing call to ministry service with InterVarsity and its mission

#### **Promote the development of prayer as central to the mission in the Region**

- Develop and communicate a vision of prayer as central to the mission
- Provide training for ministers and students in various forms of prayer for the mission (area teams, conferences, camps, student groups, etc.)
- Give vision and develop intercession teams for staff/campuses
- Engage the broader networks (faculty, ministry partners, pastors, and congregations) in prayer opportunities
- Train and lead prayer support teams for major area and regional meetings and activities
- Lead devotional and prayer times for area and regional leadership gatherings as requested

**Lead (or assist) Spiritual Formation Retreats/Events:**

- Plan retreats, events and gatherings for the spiritual growth and development of campus ministers with the SF team.
- Help maintain the focus for the mission as the work of God.

**Pastoral Support and Ministry Leadership**

- Assist campus ministry leadership in setting spiritual priorities and goals for campus ministers
- Provide pastoral support for InterVarsity ministers
- Encourage the spiritual formation goals of InterVarsity

**Contribute to the effectiveness of the team to which assigned:**

- Participate in regular team meetings and fulfill team responsibilities.

**Ministry Partner Development and Public Relations**

Develop a funding base:

- Serve as an ambassador of InterVarsity to individual ministry partners and churches through prayer, discussion of ministry efforts, mission, and accomplishments
- Develop and maintain a ministry among partners who will fund InterVarsity
- Communicate with ministry partners at least quarterly

**Spiritual Direction**

- Pursue certification training for spiritual direction. Once trained and practicing:
  - Adhere to the Spiritual Direction Boundaries Policy
  - Review Spiritual Direction Boundaries Policy with each directee

**QUALIFICATIONS****Spiritual Formation and Prayer Specialist  
Level 8**

This is a proficient campus minister that is knowledgeable and experienced in aspects of spiritual formation and prayer. Five or more years' experience with InterVarsity or other ministry experience is preferred.

- Annually affirm InterVarsity's Statement of Agreement (Doctrinal Basis and Purpose Statement)
- Abide by InterVarsity's Code of Conduct.
- Believe and behave consonantly with InterVarsity's Human Sexuality Theological Paper
- Affirm and behave consonantly with InterVarsity's "Women in Ministry Statement of Affirmation"
- Ongoing call to InterVarsity and its mission
- Bachelor's degree required
- Graduate degree in biblical studies and/or Christian theology preferred
- Five or more years of campus ministry experience preferred
- Effective oral and written communication skills
- Ability to organize events and the details involved
- Ability to take charge of tasks and work independently without close supervision
- Able to keep confidences