GATEWAY SEMINARY

P1121-P1122
Leadership in Ministry Practicum

TFE Signature Assignment Artifact

Theological Reflection Paper

Purpose

The Theological Reflection Paper is a way of assessing your experience in Theological Field Education. The paper is intended to be a ***personal assessment,*** not simply a statement of activities done.

Format

The Theological Reflection Paper is a formal paper and is to be typed in acceptable Turabian form and style. An acceptable cover sheet should be provided with the paper.

This paper is your opportunity to demonstrate your competence and experience in written communication. ***Include the following section headings and topics.*** Although no specific length is required, full development of the topics addressed usually takes 8-10 pages.

Overview of Content

Section 1 Call to and Readiness for Ministry

- Briefly explain your call by God.

- Share how you plan to use your Seminary training in future ministry.

- Assess your readiness for ministry leadership at this point.

Section 2 Assessment of Core Competencies for Ministry

- Review your Core Competencies for Ministry. Reflect on your greatest areas of ministry skill growth through your TFE experience.

Section 3 Review your Strengths, Weaknesses, and Potential Liabilities

- Share what you feel to be your greatest strengths.

- Share what you see as your growing edges or weaknesses.

- Share what you understand to be your potential liabilities if growing edges go unchecked.

Section 4 Covenant of Learning

- Review your final Covenant of Learning. In one or two paragraphs each, assess your overall progress in meeting each of your ministry skills, spiritual formation, personal, and evangelism goals from your Covenant.

Section 5 Theological Reflection

- Share some major things about yourself and your ministry readiness that you learned through your TFE experience.

- How did you integrate what you've learned in other seminary classes into practical ministry?

- Describe your use and development of theological reflection as a spiritual discipline.