

PGC Apprenticeship Track

2025-2027 Overview



Who: Those seeking to become healthy disciple-making disciples at Peninsula Grace.

- Those already demonstrating a high level of commitment to the local church at Peninsula Grace, by that we mean several (but not necessarily all) of the following:
 - Regular Sunday morning worship service participation
 - Serving on a Ministry Team
 - Community Group participation
 - Discipleship Triangle participation
 - Took the Foundations courses

What: A learning track to grow as a healthy disciple of Jesus and servant leader in the church

Why: To equip the saints to do the work of the ministry (Ephesians 4.11)

- To raise up and send out healthy disciple-making disciples for all areas of life
 - In their relationship with Jesus
 - In their homes
 - In their local church
 - In their work places
 - In their community
- To train healthy leaders in the local church specifically
 - Community Group leaders
 - Discipleship Triangle leaders
 - Ministry Team leaders (deacons)
 - Elders
 - Church planters
 - Those who can teach God's Word in various contexts
- To help you discern God's calling on your life and equip you to flourish in it! (Eph. 4.1)

How: An Apprenticeship spread out over 2 years

- 1) Focusing primarily on a healthy relationship with Jesus and others
 - Done in a highly relational context with Jesus and others!
 - Emotionally Healthy Discipleship Course (Two 10-week sessions)
 - Semester 1: Emotionally Healthy Spirituality (Relationship with God)
 - Semester 3: Emotionally Healthy Relationships (Relationship with Others)
- 2) Offering tools to help you know and share God's Word
 - Semester 2: Knowing God's Word
 - Weeks 1-5: The Story of God's Word
 - Develop a thorough understanding of the Bible's one unified story that leads to Jesus
 - Learn to communicate this story in a context that fits God's specific calling in your life

- Weeks 6-10: The Study of God's Word
 - Learn how to study the Word of God on your own and in groups
 - Discover how to study a specific passage, an entire book, a theme or topic, etc.
- Semester 4: Sharing God's Word
 - Workshops 1-2: The Heart and Goal of a Teacher
 - Workshops 3-5: Preparing a Bible Lesson/Discussion
 - Workshops 6-8: How to Facilitate a Bible Lesson/Discussion
 - Workshops 9-10: Applying the Gospel
- Goals for these workshops:
 - To equip you to disciple others through God's word and to teach God's Word to others (*asking good questions, considering conflict management, relational dynamics, dealing with the "over-talker", etc.*) in a variety of contexts (*discipleship triangles, community groups, ministry teams, preaching, sharing with a non-believer*)
- 3) Providing opportunities to put these things into practice...
 - ...in community groups, discipleship triangles, ministry teams, Foundations
 - ...at home, at work, in our neighborhoods and community
 - ...throughout the Apprentice Track and after completion of the course!

When: *Dates are subject to change according to group needs*

Year One: September 2025 through May 2026

- Semester 1 Emotionally Healthy Spirituality
 - Kick-off retreat September (September 12th-13th)
 - 10-week course (Tuesday nights September 16th to November 18th)
- Semester 2 Knowing God's Word
 - 10-week course (Tuesday nights January 27th to April 7th with Spring Break)

Year Two: 2026-2027

- Semester 1 Emotionally Healthy Relationships
 - Welcome Back retreat (Sept)
 - 10-week course (September to November)
- Semester 2 Sharing God's Word
 - 10-week course (January to April)

Where:

- TBD – We love having it at someone's home, but group size may dictate meeting at the church for childcare!

After you have filled out the application form and an apprentice track leader confirmed your acceptance, please sign the following covenant and return it to Pastor Justin or Pastor Ross.

Apprentice Covenant

I, _____, take seriously God's call on my life as a disciple of Jesus (Luke 9.23-24, Matthew 28.18-20). I endeavor to grow in believing God's Word, becoming like Jesus and being led by the Holy Spirit. In light of these convictions:

_____ I believe I am demonstrating a high level of commitment to Peninsula Grace

_____ I intend to complete Year One* of the Apprentice Track at Peninsula Grace
*with a strong intention of coming back for Year Two

_____ I intend to attend the kick-off and welcome back retreats

_____ I intend to attend all of the course nights each semester (*a minimum of 32 of the 40*)

_____ I will complete all assigned homework and readings
(*estimated half hour of homework a week: daily devotionals, weekly reading and prep for emotionally healthy course, monthly workshop assignments*)

Signature: _____

Date: _____

