



**The United Church of Canada
L'Église Unie du Canada**

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**Application to Be Received as a Candidate
for the Order of Ministry**

To be used by an inquirer seeking to be received as a candidate for ordered ministry in The United Church of Canada.

I, _____, having completed a discernment process with _____ Congregation/Pastoral Charge in _____ Presbytery/District, now attach the necessary documentation listed below, and make application to be received as a

Candidate for Diaconal Ministry Candidate for Ordained Ministry

- As a result of a proposal passed by the 40th General Council 2009, and a successful remit, candidates who are recommended for ordination or commissioning to diaconal ministry may choose either to agree to transfer and settlement or to seek a call or appointment. I am aware that candidates are required to make a decision by February 1 of the year in which they are recommended for ordination or commissioning.
- I have attached a resumé outlining my educational background, work history, involvement in church activities, involvement in community activities, hobbies, sports, interests, etc.
- I have attached a narrative statement (approximately 1,500 words) identifying some of the highlights of my faith journey, including:
- my participation in the life and mission of the church, and experiences and people who have influenced me to offer myself for ministry in the church
 - my understanding of ministry (lay, diaconal, and ordained) and my understanding of my call to ministry
 - my understanding and experience of God
 - a description of my experience and relationship with the Discernment Committee over the period of inquiry
 - a statement outlining some of the gifts, abilities, and skills I bring to the church and its ministry
 - anticipated plans to finance my studies
- I agree to provide an original copy of a current vulnerable sector (level 2) police records check to the Presbytery/District E&S Committee when I appear for my candidacy interview.

Inquirer

Year Month Day

Distribution

- Inquirer makes a copy of completed form and required attachments for his/her records and sends the originals to the session (or equivalent body).*