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**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY, SECTION A**  
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**APPROVAL FOR ORDAINED MINISTERIAL PARTNERSHIP DOCUMENT**  
**CHECKLIST**

(For Ordained Ministers in the Christian Church – Disciples of Christ)

**Candidate Name:**

**Appointment Date:**

**Email:**

**Local Church:**

The following is a checklist of the required documents for your meeting with the Committee on Ministry, Section A. All documents are due to the administrative assistant by email, or mail, **in order to schedule your appointment**. Letters of reference must have a written signature and be scanned, or mailed.

Submit your checklist materials by email or mail to Miranda Samaile: [miranda@ncnuc.org](mailto:miranda@ncnuc.org) or 16190 Foothill Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94578. If at any time you want to check on the status of your checklist you may email or call, (510) 247-8990. For more information about your appointment read more here: <https://ncnuc.org/ministerial-authorization>

- [ ] 1. Verification from the Regional Office of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) that you are an Ordained Minister in good standing.
  
- [ ] 2. A written statement of your reasons for seeking Approval for Ordained Ministerial Partnership Standing.
  
- [ ] 3. Evidence of knowledge of, and appreciation for, the history and theology, faith, polity, and practices of the United Church of Christ through:
  - a.) Verification of successful completion of courses in UCC History and Theology, and UCC Faith, Polity, and Practice at an accredited seminary [either for academic credit, or audited, with certification from the professor that all requirements for completion of the course were met]

==OR==

  - b.)\* Verification of successful completion of an approved alternative course of study online or otherwise, which includes group interaction, reading, reflection, involvement and/or experience in Conference life.

*\*Note: Option 3b is open only to candidates pursuing Dual Standing, Privilege of Call, or Ordained Ministerial Partnership Standing and is available only by prior agreement with Section A, Committee on Ministry. COM-A may require any candidate to pursue the seminary course option (3a)*

- [ ] 4. Record of completion of approved training in ministerial ethics and clergy boundaries. Please visit [www.ncnuc.org/life-long-learning](http://www.ncnuc.org/life-long-learning) to see upcoming boundary training dates and to register to attend. (You may also [subscribe to the NCNC newsletter](#) to keep current on upcoming boundary training events).
  
- [ ] 5. Record of completion of approved training in regulations for mandated reporters (The free, online training is available here: <http://www.mandatedreporterca.com/training/generaltraining.htm>).

After receiving the above materials, The Committee on the Ministry, Section A, will meet with you to review the materials and interview you. Based on the review of the materials and the interview, the committee may grant you approval for OMPS. OMPS approval gives you access to the United Church of Christ process of Search and Call and allows you to apply for Ordained Ministerial Partnership Standing after you receive a call to a United Church of Christ ministry.