

Inquiring Candidate Checklist

- Perceive call to ministry
- Member of any UMC or UM campus ministry for one year (§ 311.1.a)
- Contact home church Pastor

- Read and discuss **one** of three books with a lay or clergy guide
 - The Christian As Minister*
 - Answering God's Call For Your Life*
 - Understanding God's Call: A Ministry Inquiry Process*

- Ask District Superintendent if you may begin candidacy
 - Send letter or email to District Superintendent (§ 311.1.b)
 - Send statement of call to District Superintendent (§ 311.1.b)

- District Superintendent interviews and approves candidacy
- Complete Candidacy Summit application; DS signs
- Mail Candidacy Summit application with \$100 check by June 1
- Pay \$75 candidacy fee to GBHEM online
- Receive *Fulfilling God's Call: Guidelines for Candidacy* from GBHEM

- Get ready for Candidacy Summit
 - Complete forms
 - Personal Data Inventory
 - Personal and Professional References List
 - Notarized disclosure
 - Permission for background check
 - Do homework in *Fulfilling God's Call*
 - Read pages 11-27
 - Read and respond to questions on pages 33 - 47
 - Read and respond to questions on pages 79 – 97

- Create your own candidacy file and keep copies of all forms completed and all work submitted
- Attend Candidacy Summit and continue steps as an "Exploring Candidate"