



# Master of Arts in Theology

## SUPPLEMENTAL DCE CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

*Please send all forms and requested items to:*  
**Attn: Graduate Studies in Theology**  
**Concordia University**  
**1530 Concordia West**  
**Irvine, CA 92612-3203**  
**Phone and Fax: (949) 214-3389**

This additional information is required for entrance into the DCE Certification Program.

### APPLICANT'S MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN

Are you presently married or engaged?  Yes  No      Have you previously been married?  Yes  No

Spouse/Fiancé Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Wedding Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Profession: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Church Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) and Age(s) of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

### APPLICANT'S ACADEMIC AND WORK HISTORY

Please attach an updated resume which includes:

- Academic history from elementary school through colleges (school names, locations, dates and degrees if applicable).
- Employment history.
- Experiences related to DCE ministry.
- Other applicable volunteer history (school leadership positions, church volunteer activities)
- Three references (names, titles, addresses and phone numbers).

### APPLICANT'S MINISTRY INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper:

1. Why are you choosing to enter the DCE Certification Program?
2. What special skills/gifts do you feel you have that are appropriate for DCE Ministry
3. What are some of your long-term personal goals?

### APPLICANT'S PERSONAL BACKGROUND

Baptism Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Confirmation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list DCEs that you know/and or with whom you have worked: \_\_\_\_\_

Please identify three of your most significant leadership experiences: \_\_\_\_\_

Identify your Meyers Briggs (If known) \_\_\_\_\_

Before recommending a person for certification to full-time ministry in the LCMS there must be assurance that the candidate is above reproach. Also, one of the objectives of the Synod is to "provide protection for the congregations, pastors, teachers, and other church workers in the performance of their duties and maintenance of their rights" (Article III 9 of the Constitution of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod). Your response to the following questions will help CUI fulfill its responsibility to make a sound recommendation, and to assist you as you seek to enter full-time DCE ministry.

1. Have you ever been suspended or expelled by any educational institution? If so, identify the institution and state the reason for such action:

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2. Have you ever applied for admission to a program another Synodical institution? If so, provide the name of the school, date and major/program applied to: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Indicate any health issues which might affect your work: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions, state on a separate sheet of paper the specifics related to each instance. This should include dates, facts, organization and individuals that may have been involved.

Are you or have you been: please write 'yes' or 'no' to each

4. A party to a divorce? \_\_\_\_\_ A marriage annulment? \_\_\_\_\_ A legal separation? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Charged with fraud? \_\_\_\_\_ Sexual immorality? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Involved in homosexual activity? \_\_\_\_\_

7. An alcoholic? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Involved in use of illegal drugs? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Suspended, disqualified, censured, or had disciplinary or ouster proceedings instituted against you as a member of any profession or organization? \_\_\_\_\_

10. A party (plaintiff or defendant) to any action, civil or criminal? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Arrested, charged or convicted of a crime, or subpoenaed or requested to appear before any legal proceedings or investigatory agency? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Under guardianship, declared a ward of the court, or declared incompetent because of mental illness or condition, or committed, confined or treated in any institution for mental illness? \_\_\_\_\_

13. Dismissed or asked to resign from any employment or position you have held? \_\_\_\_\_

A Concordia University Irvine student respects the Word of God and the religious principles and practices of the University. Responsible behavior of all individuals, at all times, includes integrity, self-respect, and willingness to support and direct fellow students whose actions seen harmful to themselves or the college community.

Concordia University Irvine students are expected to be of high character, of good reputation and of earnest intent to follow Christ and do the will of God in their daily living.

I certify that all statements in this application are correct and complete and if I am accepted, I agree to comply with the principles and practices of Concordia University Irvine.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date