



**SEMINARY APPLICATION FOR
INTERFAITH-HOLISTIC ENDORSEMENT**

Our Vision

The Interfaith Community Chapel’s vision is to ordain chaplains, ministers and pastoral counselors that will be active and visible interfaith ministry representatives whose mission is to serve persons, institutions, and systems in multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary settings.

Our Mission

Our mission is to recruit spiritually fit and professionally qualified clergy for ministries of pastoral care and other holistic modalities in specialized settings. Evaluate and endorse persons for ministry in diverse settings including hospitals, prisons, pastoral counseling, and other areas of holistic stewardship. Sustain persons by encouraging spiritual growth, advocacy, and accountability to always be a representative to honoring the Divinity in all people, religion, cultures, and conditions.

Your Personal and Ministry Information

Legal Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Are you a citizen of the United States: Yes or No

Address: _____ Apt/Unit: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Highest Educational Training: _____ Location: _____

Theology School Training: _____ CPE Training: _____

Current Endorsement (if any): _____

How many years in professional ministry/service: _____

List relevant educational degrees or certificates: _____

Has anyone from our Ministry recommended you for *Candidacy*: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or are a sex offender? If so, please include a 1 page essay on the event:



Application Essays (keep your total responses to no longer than 6-8 pages -double spaced; Choose five of the seven questions, answering two of the required Essay questions that are indicated with an asterisk [*]):

1. *Describe your interfaith, interspiritual, and/or inner-spiritual practices as it relates to your current spirituality and personal theology (please describe your theology as it interfaces with your interfaith theology).**
2. *Describe your abilities and gifts as it relates to Interfaith/Holistic Ministry and your ecumenical leadership as a pastoral provider?*
3. *Describe an experience that you feel confirms your calling into Interfaith and/or Holistic Ministry. Also, define your area of ministry.*
4. *What religious traditions and a brief history of your spiritual development as it relates to your decision to enter ministerial training and advanced phases of Interfaith Chaplain Ministry and Professional Supervision.*
5. *Why have you chosen to begin our training “now in our life.”*
6. *Provide us with an autobiography of your spiritual journey.**
7. *How do you foresee your ministry affecting the interfaith movement?*

Submission of Documents

- 1: Fill out the application, and send to seminary@interfaithcommunitychapel.org.
- 2: Conduct an interview with one of our Dean’s; Admission Staff; Department Heads.
- 3: Submit the most recent photo and your Driver’s License & State Identification Card (for future professional registration.)
- 4: Submit 1 written recommendation for application; 3 written recommendation for advanced standing. (One recommendation can be a current, in “good” standing minister of the church.)
- 5: Submit your current resume and a narrative highlighting any ministry experience.
- 6: Submit the “Affirmation of Truth” Form (included in this Application document) and sign that you understand the statement and Application process; all verbal and written information is true and accurate to your best recollection.
- 7: Submit a non-refundable, \$150 dollars for your application fee.

Payment for Endorsement

The initial registration fee associated with Endorsement into the Interfaith Community Chapel and the National Interfaith Communities in agreement with issued Charters, along with endorsement into the ICC and our association of Ministerial, Holistic Minister Practitioner, and other endorsement positions is \$350.00, \$450.00, and \$550 respectively (depending on your clergy goals with the Seminary). The application fee is payable to Interfaith Community Chapel, by check, or online (PayPal) money order. Please indicate in the memo of your Check that it is for the “Endorsement.” If you are not approved for endorsement, you will be not be refunded for the money, but it will be donated to the Seminary (to our scholarship program) and a Tax-



Receipt will be provided. Endorsements are determined by the Senior Pastoral Council and candidates are granted "active status" for 1-3 years, depending on the Review Committee. Renewals are \$100 for minister status and \$150 for Practitioner/Specialized Endorsement/Practical Chaplaincy level. *The renewal of your pastoral and practitioner licensed will be due 1-3 years (as determined and approved by the Seminary Dean) after your Ordination certificate.

For further information contact: The Interfaith Community Chapel Endorsing Division of Ordained Ministry at 1440 W. Taylor St., Suite: 653, Chicago, IL 60607 Phone: 877-256-0304, Email: endorsements@interfaithchapel.org | Web site: www.interfaithchapel.org

Administrative Use ONLY

- Minister Program Spec. Past. Cert.: _____
 Holistic-Minister Practitioner Masters in Sacred Theology

Admin Signature: _____ Date: _____

Admissions Confirmation: _____ Date: _____

Final Admissions Staff Authorization

Name _____ Title: _____ ACCEPT ___ DENIED ___

Notations: _____

Approval of the Board of Regents *Confirmation of Acceptance:* _____ / _____ / 20____



**AFFIRMATION & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF TRUTH FORM FOR CLERGY STATUS & SEMINARY TRAINING**

I hereby certify that the above statements, information, and essays are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that a false statement may disqualify me for enrollment in any of our Seminary programs. I have reviewed and understand the enrollment process into the Seminary and as informed by my Admissions Interview with the Seminary Faculty.

I hereby waive my right to review (after submission) the contents of the application, recommendation letters, and other notations that may exist in my personal Admissions file. Additionally, I recognize my personal admissions file is a property of the Seminary and its' Endorsing Body of Interfaith Community Chapel.

I comprehend without any confusion that completion of the program does not always guarantee ordination, endorsement, certification, or clergy degree. The Seminary Faculty reserves the right to approve and fail a seminarian from a program and can ask the seminarian to leave the Seminary at any stage of the program due to any violation or behavioral misconduct to any of my actions or failure to achieve the standards necessary for ordination and licensure.

I fully understand that application fees and program costs are not refundable, and costs/fees can change at any time before, during, or after my admissions into the Seminary. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless action against the Seminary and its Ordaining body (Interfaith Community Chapel) in the state of Illinois and Florida from and against any and all claims, demands, or causes of action of any kind or nature resulting any losses, costs, and expenses rendered by the program costs and other administrative fees for attending the Seminary.

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant

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Date of Signature