



# Ministerial Journey Summary

## **Ministerial Student:**

1. Be a member in a local Wesleyan church.
2. Interview by the Local Board of Administration (LBA):
  - a. LBA sends recommendation (on church letterhead) to office@chesapeakewesleyan.com.
3. District Background Check:
  - a. Pay fee of background check (\$37) to the Chesapeake District via online link.
  - b. Complete background check via online link sent after payment received.
4. Enroll with Education and Clergy Development (ECD).
5. Completion of the following:
  - a. Ministerial Student Information Sheet
  - b. Personal Data Inventory Questionnaire (DBMD #1)
6. Notified of acceptance as a ministerial student after approval by the District Board of Ministerial Development (DBMD) and District Board of Administration (DBA).

**Note:** One year must be completed as a ministerial student before the district will consider you for licensing.

**Note:** Must complete a minimum of 2 educational courses per year.

## **Ministerial License:**

1. Completion of 6 educational courses required for licensing.
2. Be appointed to a local church ministry adequate for DBA appointment as a licensed minister.
3. Completion of the following:
  - a. (3) DBMD Initial Reference Forms (DBMD #2)
  - b. Subsequent Year Questionnaire (DBMD #3)
4. Interview and recommendation by the DBMD for ministerial license.
5. Recommendation by the DBA for ministerial license.
6. Approval by the District Conference.

**Note:** To pursue ordination, two years of service must be completed as an appointed licensed minister in a Wesleyan church.

**Note:** Must complete a minimum of 2 educational courses per year

## **Permanent Ministerial License:**

1. Completion of 6 additional educational courses required for permanent licensing.
2. Continue to remain under appointment with a local Wesleyan church.
3. Interview and recommendation by the DBMD for permanent ministerial license.
4. Recommendation by the DBA for permanent ministerial license.
5. Approval by the District Conference.

## **Ministerial Ordination:**

1. Completion of academic requirements certified by ECD.
2. Completion of ministerial training for ordination.
3. Completion of satisfactory service under district appointment.
4. Completion of the following:
  - a. (4) Ordained Ministry Reference Forms (DBMD #4)
  - b. Ordination Application Questionnaire (DBMD #5)
5. Interview and recommendation by the DBMD for ordination.
6. Recommendation by the DBA for ordination.
7. Election by the District Conference to ordained minister's orders.
  - a. Participation in public service of Ordination.