

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 \$45 candidacy fee to GBHEM online
- Get ready for Candidacy Summit
 - Complete forms
 - Personal Data Inventory
 - Personal and Professional References List
 - Notarized disclosure
 - Permission for background check

 - Do homework in *Answer The Call: Candidacy Guidebook*
 - Read pages 11-33
 - Read and respond to questions on pages 35 - 68
 - Read and respond to questions on pages 89 – 127
 - Read and respond to questions on pages 129 – 141

- 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”