

BECOME A PASTOR IN THE LCMS

First, an important word about application and district interview deadlines:

Pre-seminary Interview - Distance Programs: If you are applying to a Distance Program (CHS, EIIT, SMP, SMP-GPC) we must schedule your district interview in advance of the application deadline set by the seminary. Therefore, we must receive your completed application **two months in advance** of the seminary application deadline. i.e. if the seminary application is August 30 then we must receive your completed application by June 30.

Pre-seminary Interview – Residential Programs: Once the seminary/university has accepted your application they will notify the district president’s office. We will then contact you about scheduling your pre-seminary interview.

INFORMATION AND APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

Residential - Master of Divinity (M.Div.) - [MDiv, St. Louis](#) and/or [MDiv, Ft. Wayne](#)

Residential Alternate Route (RAR) - [RAR – St. Louis](#)

INFORMATION AND APPLICATION FOR DISTANCE PROGRAMS

Specific Ministry Pastor (SMP) - [SMP - St. Louis](#) and/or [SMP - Ft. Wayne](#)

Specific Ministry Pastor Español/English (SMP-ESE) - [SMP - ESE](#)

Specific Ministry Pastor to General Pastor Certification (GPC) - [SMP to GPC](#)

Center for Hispanic Studies (CHS) - [CHS – St. Louis](#)

Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology (EIIT) - [EIIT – St. Louis](#)

Cross Cultural Ministry Center (CMC) – Concordia University Irvine - [CMC - Irvine](#)

Pastoral Colloquy

The application and additional information please visit: [Pastoral Colloquy Process](#)

If you have questions or need additional information please do not hesitate to contact the Texas District President’s Office - Cindy Hilewitz – chilewitz@txlcms.org or Gwendolyn Hohle – ghohle@txlcms.org