



## PENTECOSTAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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### **Guidelines for Admission On the Basis of Ministerial Experience**

The Pentecostal Theological Seminary (PTS) operates under guidelines established by its accrediting agency, the Association of Theological Schools (ATS). This guideline states: "As many as 10 percent of the students in degree programs may be admitted without possession of the baccalaureate degree." To comply with this standard, PTS must demonstrate by some objective means that these persons possess the knowledge, academic skill, and ability generally associated with persons who hold the baccalaureate degree.

An applicant involved in ministry who does not hold the baccalaureate degree may apply for admission to PTS if he/she:

- (1) is at least thirty-five (35) years of age, and
- (2) has completed at least fifteen (15) years of qualified ministerial experience.

The process steps for a non-degree seeking student with ministerial experience are as follows:

- A. An applicant must complete and submit to the Admissions Office this Ministerial Experience (ME) Questionnaire, in addition to the Admissions Application and supporting admissions documents.
- B. If accepted for enrollment, the student must complete 12 credit hours of course work with a 2.5 or higher grade point average (GPA) in order to be considered for admissions into a degree program.
- C. After successfully completing requirement B above, the student should request confirmation to advance into a degree program.
  1. If the number of applicants applying goes beyond the 10 percent limit, the GPA earned on the first 12 hours shall be a major consideration in making the necessary decisions.
  2. When the 10 percent limit is reached, new applications will be deferred until ME students already accepted in a degree program graduate or withdraw from the Seminary. Then the date of enrollment and the GPA will be considered in admitting a student to the degree programs.



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### BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ (Must be at least 35 years old and have 15 years of qualified ministry)

### PRESENT MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS

Denomination \_\_\_\_\_

Current Credential Rank \_\_\_\_\_ and Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date of first credential \_\_\_\_\_ and Rank \_\_\_\_\_

*NOTE: The submission of this questionnaire does not replace the applicant's autobiography, a required admissions document. The autobiography is a separate document: 5 pages, typed, double spaced with one inch margins, in which you describe your personal background, Christian experience, ministerial call and reason for applying to this graduate school. Note especially your call and experience of regeneration, sanctification, Spirit baptism, divine healing, etc.*

### MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Using the essay questions on pages 3 & 4, give a description (including dates) for each of your ministry experiences listed on page 2. (These pages may be photocopied as needed.)

Administration

Children

Christian Education

Church Staff

Committees

Community Involvement

Evangelism

Implementing Programs

Ladies Ministries

Music

Outreach

Sunday School

Supervision

Volunteer Training

Worship

**MINISTERIAL EXPERIENCE SUMMARY**

(Must have at least 15 years of qualified experience.)

From	To	Position	Church/Ministry
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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*If more space is needed, use separate sheet and attach.*

**Ministry:** \_\_\_\_\_

Essay Question 1: Describe the ministry task and situation.

a. How was it when you arrived?

b. Indicate your ministry responsibilities.

c. Indicate changes that were made.

