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The Church Pension Fund
Pastoral Care/Education Group
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Application for Waiver of Assessments During Graduate Study

Clergy entering graduate study to strengthen their ordained ministry may continue to earn Credited Service at the Hypothetical Minimum Compensation (\$9,000), with assessments waived, for up to three years of study. To qualify, the following conditions must be met:

- You have acquired at least three years of Credited Service;
- Your Canonical Bishop recommends that you continue to earn Credited Service during graduate study and the Trustees of The Church Pension Fund approve; and
- Following completion of graduate study, you must earn Credited Service equal to or greater than the amount granted under your waiver.

Assessments must be paid on any compensation you receive for part-time duties during your graduate study, and that compensation becomes part of the \$9,000 Minimum.

Personal Information

Your Full Name _____		Your Phone _____	Birth Date (Mo Day Yr) _____
Your Address (Street) _____		Diocese _____	
City _____	State _____	Zip _____	

Your Graduate Study

Name of Institution _____		Subject of Study _____	
Address of Institution (Street) _____		Certification or Degree Sought _____	
City (Street) _____	State _____	Zip _____	Anticipated Length of Study _____ Starting Date _____

How will your study strengthen your ministry in the Church? (Use additional sheets if needed)

Your Previous Education (Institution, Degree, Date)

Positions You Have Held in the Church

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If You Will Perform Clerical Duties During Graduate Study

If you will have compensated part-time duties or perform any other Church or Church-related duties during your graduate study, please provide the following information:

Church or Church-Related Unit Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Compensation (Per Year)

\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Cash Stipend	Social Security	Utilities
Y N	\$ _____	\$ _____
Housing Provided?	If N, Cash Housing Allowance	If Y, Additional Cash Housing Allowance
		\$ _____
		Other Compensation

Your Signature

Your Signature Date

Canonical Bishop's Certification

I consider that this applicant qualifies as one entering "graduate study in an academic institution to strengthen his/her ordained ministry in the Church." It is my understanding that the applicant intends to return to full-time work in the Church upon completing this course of study.

Signature of Canonical Bishop Date