

Reference Form

Doctor of Educational Ministry Program

Note to Applicant - A copy of both sides of this sheet and a copy of your personal statement should be given to each of your three referees: a minister, a seminary professor, and a person in business or professional life or a colleague in public service.

_____ is being considered for admission to the Doctor of Educational Ministry degree program of Columbia Theological Seminary. The Doctor of Educational Ministry degree program is to enhance the practice of and theological reflection on educational ministry for persons who hold the first professional degree in religious education or its equivalent and have engaged in educational ministry leadership for at least three years of full-time service in the practice of Christian education after their studies.

Pursuit of the Doctor of Educational Ministry program requires high intellectual achievement as well as professional capability. We would be grateful for your assistance in helping us assess the appropriateness of the applicant's entry into this program.

Please read the personal statement supplied by the applicant along with this sheet. It may assist you in responding to some of the issues raised in this form. Please send the completed form as soon as possible to:

**Advanced Professional Studies Office
 Columbia Theological Seminary
 P. O. Box 520
 Decatur, Georgia 30031**

Introductory

How long, how well, and under what circumstances have you known the applicant?

Rating Sheet

	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor	No Opportunity to Observe
Intellectual ability						
Ability as a preacher and/or speaker						
Teaching ability						
Ability as a counselor						
Ability as an organizer						
Ability to work as a member of a team						
Responsiveness to the feelings of others						
Maturity of Christian experience						

Summary

How do you rate the applicant's promise as a graduate student?

Check: Should Be Discouraged Below Average Average
 Good Superior Exceptional

SUMMARY PARAGRAPH: Please state frankly your opinion of the applicant's all-round fitness for admission, adding any significant information and impressions which have not been brought out by the preceding questions:

Name: (printed or typed): _____

Occupation: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____