

# Licensing Options

in the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, USA

## Ministry will NOT be my career

## Ministry WILL be my career

**Lay Minister**  
High school diploma  
Local church member for 1 year  
Appropriate lifestyle  
Pastor referral  
Written answers to exam questions  
Reference letters  
Complete course of study

### I WILL be ordained

### I will NOT be ordained

**Provisional License**  
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### Non-Credit Track

- Over age 35 at beginning of licensing process
- Life circumstances prohibit completing a Master's degree.

**National Conference License**  
1 year with Provisional license  
Appropriate lifestyle  
Completed core topics  
UB History course  
Reference letters  
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**Specialized Ministry License**  
1 year with Provisional license  
Appropriate lifestyle  
UB History course  
30 semester hours (12 Bible) in area of specialization  
12 months service in UB church  
Church referral  
Reference letters  
Written answers to questions  
Provide transcripts

**Ordination**  
Appropriate lifestyle  
2 years as National Conference minister  
Complete course of study  
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2 years of service in a ministry position approved by the PMLT

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