



**BETHANY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY  
PETITION TO CHANGE PROGRAM**

If you wish to change your current program, you must complete section I below, ask your advisor to complete section II, and submit this form to the Dean's office for submission to the Educational Policies and Assessment Committee( EPAC). For further information, contact Academic Services.

**I. Completed by the student**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Current Advisor/Facilitator \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Program** (check one)

\_\_\_MDIV    \_\_\_MA    \_\_\_Occasional    \_\_\_Connections MDIV    \_\_\_CATS

**Desired Program** (check one)

\_\_\_MDIV    \_\_\_MA    \_\_\_Occasional    \_\_\_Connections MDIV    \_\_\_CATS

**To change status from Occasional to Degree/Certificate Student**

An occasional student who wishes to enter a degree or certificate program is required to take the following steps:

1. Secure forms from the Admissions Office to be given to three (3) references to provide academic, church, and personal recommendations for admission.
2. Submit to the Admissions Office a two to three page typewritten essay describing personal and professional goals; how these relate to one's faith perspective, understandings of the church, and sense of calling or vocation; how a seminary education at Bethany can help fulfill these goals.
3. Petition the Admissions Committee through the Office of Admissions for admission into a degree or certificate program.

**To change status from One Degree/Certificate program to another**

1. Recommendation from a Bethany faculty member;

2. A 1-2 page statement from the student, explaining reasons for the move;
3. For moving from C.A.T.S. or M.Div. programs into M.A. program, a 15-20 page writing sample;
4. For moving into the M.Div. program, an interview with director of ministry formation, and for moving into the M.A.. program, an interview with the director of the M.A. program;
5. For moving into the M.A. program, an additional single-sheet application that indicates the student's area of interest for a future thesis.

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **II. Completed by the student's current Advisor/Facilitator**

I hereby recommend the change in curricular program requested above. It is my judgment that the student has engaged in an adequate discernment process and will be better served by pursuing the program requested above.

Advisor/Facilitator's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **III. Reviewed by the Admissions Committee**

Decisions/Comments \_\_\_\_\_

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Academic Dean's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor assignment \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

