Pathway to Ordination

1. Contact the BUV to organise a meeting with the Pastoral Support and Development Department on 03 9880 6150.

2. The next step is to have an interview that includes your partner and your Senior Pastor.

Year of Discernment

Once you decide to engage in Ordination application process you will be allocated a PLSC contact.

3. Your Church establishes a Discernment and Support Group (DSG) consisting of your pastor and 4-5 others from your church, with you and your partner (by Feb).

4. Application form is sent to PLSC, along with: DSG report, references, preaching report, psychology report.

5. Pastoral Leadership Selection Committee (PLSC) interview you with your partner (in November - December).

The DSG meet throughout the year at least 6 times over 6 months.

The DSG produce a report for the PLSC.

The PLSC will advise if you are:
- a. Ready for provisional candidature
- b. Not ready for candidature
- c. Should return for interview the following year

Provisional Candidature

During this year of Provisional Candidature, progress reports will be collected from:

6. PLSC interview you with your partner (in November - December).

Your church
Whitley College
Candidate (you)

7. Towards the end of this year you may be invited to apply to affirm your readiness for ordination in a written application.

The PLSC will advise if you are:
- a. Ready for confirmed candidature
- b. Not ready for confirmed candidature
- c. Should continue provisional candidature

Confirmed Candidature

During this training you will be under the supervision of Whitley College.

Reports will be collected from:
- Your church
- Pastor
- Whitley College
- Supervisor

7. Towards the end of this year you may be invited to apply to affirm your readiness for ordination in a written application.

8. Ordination Pathways Group interview you to determine whether you enter the ordination year the following year (Nov-Dec).

The OPG will advise if you are:
- a. Ready for ordination
- b. Not ready for ordination
- c. Should continue with further candidature

Ordination Year

9. You will be presented at Assembly (May)

10. Ordination Service (October)

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