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## Recommendation Form UUA Religious Education Credentialing Program

**Responses must be typed**

RE Credentialing Program Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

RE Credentialing Level:     \_\_\_\_\_ Credentialed Religious Educator - Associate Level  
                                  \_\_\_\_\_ Credentialed Religious Educator  
                                  \_\_\_\_\_ Credentialed Religious Educator - Master Level

Recommender's Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Congregation/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please identify yourself (Recommender) as **one** of the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Board Chair of a congregation (or organization for an applicant based outside a congregation)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Religious Education Committee/Council Chair
- \_\_\_\_\_ Minister
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other Lay Leader of a congregation (or organization for an applicant based outside a congregation). Lay Leader may be a YAC Chair or other youth leader
- \_\_\_\_\_ UUA District Executive
- \_\_\_\_\_ UUA District Program Consultant
- \_\_\_\_\_ Peer (a peer is defined as a religious educator colleague)

To complete the Religious Education Credentialing Program of the Unitarian Universalist Association, the candidate must obtain Recommendation Forms from representatives of Unitarian Universalism from within and beyond the local congregation, in accordance with the Religious Education Credentialing Program Plan.

**An applicant to the Religious Education Credentialing Program of the Unitarian Universalist Association must obtain 3 Recommendation Forms from representatives of Unitarian Universalism from within and beyond the local congregation, in accordance with the Religious Education Credentialing Program Plan. At least 1 Recommendation Form must be from a person**

**in the candidate's congregation, or organization served for an applicant based outside a congregation.**

We suggest you learn as much as possible about the Program. To do so, please visit the website: [www.uua.org/leaders/leaderslibrary/religiouseducation/index.shtml](http://www.uua.org/leaders/leaderslibrary/religiouseducation/index.shtml).

A Recommendation Form for a candidate in the Religious Education Credentialing Program indicates assurance of the candidate's active commitment to religious education, to Unitarian Universalism, and to the institutions which uphold our faith tradition, skill as a leader in Unitarian Universalist religious education, the ability to demonstrate knowledge of the many program areas of Unitarian Universalist religious education (at the appropriate program level), the successful fulfillment of all other program requirements, and a general readiness to receive the Religious Education Credentialing Program status which is sought.

The candidate will have prepared a credentialing portfolio, paper, or project. It is recommended that you review this, if possible, prior to completing this form.

**The Recommendation Form must be sent directly by the author to the UUA Religious Education Credentialing Committee c/o the Office of RE Credentialing, UUA, 25 Beacon St., Boston MA 02108. A copy may be sent to the candidate.**

Please comment on the following specific abilities of the participant, attaching additional sheets as necessary. **We ask that you give thoughtful, carefully considered comments on these specific abilities. Insufficiently completed Recommendation Forms may be returned.**

Commitment - to religious education and to Unitarian Universalism:

Unitarian Universalist Religious Leaderships Skills –

Interpersonal skills with persons of all ages:

Professional conduct and identity:

Effective Communication:

Guidance in faith development:

Demonstration of knowledge of religious education credentialing program areas **(Please complete those areas that are required for the candidate's level of credentialing, and those areas that have been chosen as supplementary competency areas by the candidate):**

Administration (Associate and Credentialed Levels - required)

Anti-Oppression/Anti-Racism/Multiculturalism (All levels - required)

Conflict Management (Master Level - required; Credentialed Level - only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Family Ministry & Pastoral Care (Credentialed and Master Levels – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

History & Philosophy of RE – General (Credentialed Level – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Human & Faith Development (Credentialed & Master Levels - required)

Jewish & Christian Heritages (Master Level - required; Credentialed Level - only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Leadership Development & Small Group Ministry (Credentialed and Master Levels – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Liberal Theologies (Master Level - required)

Philosophy of RE – UU (Credentialed & Master Levels - required)

RE Program Resources (Associate Level - required)

Right Relations & Professional Ethics (All levels - required)

Sacred Texts (Master Level – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Social Justice Theory & Practice (Master Level – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Spiritual Life & Self-care (Master Level – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Stewardship (All levels – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Systems Theory (Master Level - required)

Teaching Methods (Credentialed & Master Levels - only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

UU History & Polity (Credentialed and Master Levels - required)

UU History (Associate Level - only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

UU Polity (Associate Level - only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Volunteer Management (Associate & Credentialed Levels - required)

World Religions (All levels – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Worship (Credentialed & Master Levels - required)

Youth and/or Young Adult (All levels – only if chosen as a supplemental competency)

Fulfillment of other program requirements (refer to RE Credentialing Program Plan):

In keeping with our policies of Safe Congregations, is there any reason why this candidate should not be working with children or youth?

Additional comments:

Check if this Recommendation Form has been shared with applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_