



Criminal Behavior and Sexual Misconduct Declaration and Authorization for Background Check

In the spirit of concern for the safety of the Wesley community and that of the congregations and agencies who partner with us in the Practice of Ministry and Mission program, we require applicants to answer the following questions and to sign below giving Wesley permission to conduct a criminal background check. Be assured that as a seminary, we believe in repentance and renewal. Therefore we will not necessarily decline an applicant on the basis of past criminal behavior. Applicants will not be disqualified on the basis of their political actions or affiliations.

1. Have you ever been charged with a crime? Yes No
2. If "Yes," were you found guilty? Yes No
3. Have you ever been accused of sexual misconduct or harassment with a child, youth, or adult? Yes No
4. Have you ever been dismissed or resigned from any position, volunteer or salaried, because of an accusation of criminal or sexual misconduct on your part? Yes No
5. If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, please explain your understanding of the circumstances below. *(Attach additional sheet of paper if needed).*

Wesley Theological Seminary will conduct a background check for each applicant.

My signature below indicates that all the information contained in my application is factually correct and honestly presented. I understand that false representation may result in denial, revocation of admission, or separation from the seminary. My signature also authorizes the seminary to complete a criminal background check.

Signature _____ Date _____

Both pages must be completed, signed and returned to the Admissions Office.