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- 1. **Application Form:** Answer each question applicable to you. Include the names of your references, with phone numbers.
- Christian Experience Essay (500 word minimum): On a separate sheet of paper, please neatly write answers to the following questions. This gives us the opportunity to evaluate you as an applicant and to assess your writing skills. You must not have anyone else edit or type your essay. All work must be your own. You will be asked if you have prepared your own essay. Please be sure to complete all items.
 - a. Briefly describe how you came to know Jesus Christ and your understanding of the plan of salvation.
 - b. Describe your spiritual journey and personal development since the initial point of conversion, and how personal Bible study, prayer, and witnessing to others has encouraged your growth.
 - c. Describe activities, leadership responsibilities, and other ways you are involved in ministry today.
 - d. Since CIU is dedicated to preparing students to become world Christians, please share what you believe God is calling you to become and why you have chosen to apply to this program.
 - e. Please feel free to add any additional information you would like us to consider as we evaluate your application.
- 3. **Reference Forms:** One reference should be a chaplain or church official (or security supervisor, official staff, or social worker) who knows you. Two general references are also required. General references will be approved by the SCDC in its review of your eligibility.
- 4. Academic Transcripts: We must have official transcripts from your high school or GED record and all colleges and/or universities you have attended. Please carefully fill out the Request for Academic Transcript for each institution that you have attended. The CIU Registrar's Office will request and obtain official transcripts of all of your previous academic work (including GED records) for you. You must have a high school diploma or GED to be accepted into this program.
- 5. You must have at least seven (7) years remaining on your sentence (until max-out date) to be considered. This accounts for two years of study in the program and five years of service where assigned.

Note: Evaluation of your application file cannot begin until the following items have been received by Admissions:

Application Christian Experience Essay All References Academic Transcripts

Please return to: Chaplain's Office or designated authority