

Cyclical San Diego

– CRE Process Chart –

Intake Process

- Personal interview with CSD liaison to determine which courses/equivalents have been fulfilled
- After the interview, candidate will enroll in appropriate classes from Whitworth video modules
 - <https://www.whitworth.edu/cms/administration/church-engagement/commissioned-ruling-elder-program/program-description/>
 - CSD liaison will instruct each CRE candidate to contact Stated Clerk to receive appropriate video codes for classes
- Candidates may apply for scholarship aid
 - Exact amount of scholarship aid from CSD to be determined
 - Candidates will be asked to contribute financially toward classes – personal investment/commitment to this process
- Candidates must submit CRE application from Presbytery
 - <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5c1150c0f407b4c6a91f7801/t/5c2a59080ebbe85745ea1a17/1546279177379/CRE-SD+April+12.pdf>

Required Courses or Equivalents

- Old and New Testament Interpretation/Exegesis
- Reformed Theology
- Reformed Worship and Sacraments
- Preaching and Performing the Word (Homiletics)
- Pastoral Care and Ministry
- Presbyterian Polity
- Presbyterian Confessions
- Basic Bible

Ongoing Cohort

- CRE candidate agrees to continue meeting monthly with either Discerners or Starters cohort throughout 2022
- CRE candidate agrees to be in regular communication with CSD liaison

Examination & Commissioning

- Upon completion of coursework, CRE candidates will be examined by the CSD committee during a monthly CSD committee meeting
- Upon approval, CRE candidates will complete the current training in sexual misconduct and child and youth protection required by the COM for Teaching Elders/Pastors in the Presbytery
- CRE candidates will undergo a background check
- CRE candidates will undergo a psychological examination
- Once these standards are met and the candidate completes the educational training, the CSD committee will present the candidate to the JCC, who will present them to the Presbytery for commissioning with no further examination on the floor of presbytery