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Advisor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PACIFIC SCHOOL OF RELIGION  
MASTER OF DIVINITY VOCATIONAL ACADEMIC PLAN**

All MDiv students need to submit a Vocational Academic Plan to Assistant Dean for Academic Programs before the end of the first year of study. The purpose of the plan is to help students plan their academic work based on critical reflection of their vocational call and leadership development. Here are the steps:

- A. Write up the plan. This may be a page or two of prose exploring your vocational objective along with a filled in [Degree Worksheet](#) outlining how you anticipate going through the degree requirements at this time. It may change by the time your Middler Review happens and that's okay.

Consider the following questions. You may also address any other vocational/academic/ formational issues you find relevant:

1. As I consider my future vocation, what am I most enthusiastic about?
  2. What are the personal/professional expectations of organizations and institutions in which I plan to serve?
  3. What are my strengths and weaknesses, as a person and as a student?
  4. What are the expectations of my spouse, my family, other important persons in my life, relative to my vocation and vocational lifestyle?
  5. To what extent is my ideal image of myself and my future vocational objectives limited by my talents? By realities in my situation?
  6. What spiritual disciplines do I currently follow, and what disciplines do I hope to acquire while a student at PSR?
  7. What practical learning objectives should I set for myself for the next few years in the light of my objectives, for example:
    - i. Relating specifically to electives, in what area or areas of the curriculum should I choose to concentrate?
    - ii. What type(s) of supervised ministry (field education) would be best for me?
    - iii. What practical functional skills do I need to develop, such as preaching, teaching, administration, worship leadership, etc.?
    - iv. What other interests or needs would I like to develop while still in school?
- B. Return this plan to your advisor, who will endorse it with a signature.
- C. Make a copy and keep for your records. You will need it the following year for your Middler Review.
- D. Bring it to the Assistant Dean for Academic Programs. It will be filed and used as a reference for your middler review and for other vocational/academic consultations.

**RETURN THIS SIGNED FORM AND ATTACHED VAP TO THE ASSISTANT DEAN FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAMS HOLBROOK 135, BY THE LAST DAY OF YOUR FIRST YEAR**