

UU District of Metro NY Annual Meeting:
Requirements to be a Minister Delegate

Article IV Section 3 of the District bylaws states: “Each Congregation shall be entitled to be represented at meetings of the District by Delegates chosen in accordance with its own bylaws or procedures, in number and type equal to its delegate entitlement prescribed for the UUA General Assembly by the Association's Constitution and Bylaws.”

Article IV Section 4.8b of the UUA bylaws and associated Rule 4.9.2 specify that ministers who meet the requirements outlined below are entitled to be delegates to General Assembly. These same requirements apply to the District Annual Meeting.

Ministers must meet Requirement 1 AND any ONE of Requirement 2, Requirement 3, or Requirement 4.

1. Ordained and in full or associate ministerial fellowship with the UUA.
2. Engaged by a certified congregation in compensated ministerial activities that constitute at least 50% of a typical work schedule.
3. A community minister who fulfills all these requirements:
 - a. maintains active involvement in a certified congregation,
 - b. has written agreement with the congregation,
 - c. receives endorsement from the congregation including a pledge of continuing relationship and support and affirmation that the community minister’s work is recognized by the congregation as ministry, and
 - d. is compensated for community ministry work that constitutes at least 50% of a typical work schedule recognized by the congregation as ministry.

Note: The number of community minister delegates cannot exceed the number of member delegates to which the congregation is entitled.

4. A minister emeritus or emerita designated as such by a vote at a meeting of a certified congregation not less than six months prior to the District Annual Meeting, and provided the minister emeritus or emerita previously met Requirement 2 or Requirement 3.