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## **Integrative Theological Essay Instructions for NACC Competency ITP2.1**

*Demonstrate an understanding of Vatican II and Post Vatican II documents of the Church, Systematic/Foundational Theology, Scripture, Theology of the Trinity, Christology, Ecclesiology, Sacramental Theology, Catholic Social Teaching, Canon Law, Ecumenical and Interreligious Practice.*

The above Competency is NACC-specific to reflect NACC expectations for professional chaplains.

Write a two to three (2-3) page essay about your familiarity with the documents and theologies noted in this expansive Competency. Cite two to three (2-3) ministerial examples of how these documents or theologies have made a significant difference within your provision of spiritual care.

While many of the aspects listed in Competency ITP2.1 will also be addressed in other parts of the application for certification, the Integrative Theological Essay is intended to provide an opportunity to cite:

- The significance of some of these documents and the theologies in your personal and professional ministerial development, and
- Examples of how you integrate the teachings of these documents and/or theologies within your provision of spiritual care.

As you write your essay to address this Competency, you may find these reflective questions helpful:

- What places have many of the documents and theologies had in your personal and professional development and functioning within ministry?
- What writings within the documents and theologies have inspired, impressed, sustained, or challenged you as a spiritual care provider?