

Admissions

The University is committed to a policy of equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in admission and all other facets of its educational programs and activities. The University encourages applications from qualified students regardless of sex, religion, age, race, disability, marital status, color or national origin, within the meaning of applicable law.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Where to Apply: All correspondence on matters of admission should be addressed to the Office of Admissions, Yeshiva University, 500 West 185th Street, New York, NY 10033-3299. The Office of Admissions is located in Room 419 of Furst Hall, and can be reached by phone (212-960-5277), fax (212-960-0086), or e-mail (yuadmit@ymail.yu.edu).

How to Apply: Students must submit the admissions application plus required essay. They must arrange to have a transcript of their high school record and their scores on either the Scholastic Assessment Test I (SAT I) or the American College Testing examination (ACT) forwarded to the Office of Admissions. Applicants are required to schedule an interview at the University or with a University representative in their vicinity. Applicants who plan to come to the University for interviews may arrange in advance to sit in on classes and tour the campus with a current student.

When to Apply: Candidates may apply at any time after completion of their junior year of high school, preferably by February 15, but not later than April 15 of the senior year, for admission in the September following their graduation. Applicants are considered on an individual basis for midyear admission.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

The high school scholastic record, SAT I or ACT scores, and results of statewide tests such as the New York State Regents Examinations are of primary importance in determining a student's qualifications for admission. The Committee on Admissions also considers the applicant's character, personality, and contributions to school and community life.

Average: To qualify for admission a candidate must present a high school average of at least 85 or its equivalent. The Committee on Admissions may require higher averages from students who come from schools whose academic standards are not known to the Committee.

Tests: All applicants must take either the SAT I or ACT exam. The results of these tests supplement the high school grades. Most successful applicants have a combined score of at least 1100 on the SAT I or an equivalent score on the ACT. Optionally, applicants may also take subject-matter achievement tests such as those of the SAT II testing program of the College Board.

Applicants should take the SAT I or ACT in May of the junior year of high school, or November of the senior year; and the Modern Hebrew Achievement Test in June of the junior year. Although these tests are normally given on Saturday, Sabbath-observing students may take them on Sunday in those months. Full information is available from the Office of Admissions or college guidance counselor at the student's high school.





Bulletins and applications may be obtained from

College Board
 www.collegeboard.com
 Box 6200, Princeton
 NJ 08541-6200
 609-771-7435

Students who live in the western states should call 415-654-1200 or write 6425 Christie Ave., Emeryville, CA 94608

or—

American College Testing Program,
 www.act.org, Box 168, Iowa City, IA 52243

Secondary School Units: Applicants must be graduates of an academic high school. They must present 16 units of secondary school work in college preparatory subjects. (To earn one unit a student must attend classes in a major subject 180 forty-minute periods per school year; a half unit is given for the same amount of work in a minor subject, i.e., one not requiring preparation.)

The 16 units required for admission must include the following:

English	4
Additional language (two years of one language, classical or modern)	2
Social studies (American, European, or world history)	2
Mathematics (college preparatory)	2
Science (general science, biology, chemistry, or physics)	2

The remainder of the required 16 units may be chosen from among any college preparatory subjects, with no more than 1 to be presented in commercial or minor subjects. In New York State, a Regents Examination must be taken in every subject offered for admission credit if the high school gives such an examination.

APPLICANTS WHO ARE NOT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

To qualify for the Early Admission Program (EAP), the applicant must complete the junior year of high school, with a minimum of six regular academic-year terms in residence. Fifteen units must be completed, including the following eleven:

English	3
Additional language	2
Social studies	2
Mathematics	2
Science	2

The applicant must present a high school average of at least 90 or its grade-point average (GPA) equivalent and a combined score of 1270 on the SAT I for admission under the regular Early Admission Program, under which the student may take a full college program (normally 15 credits per semester).

For admission under the Limited Early Admission Program, the student must present a high school average of 85 and a combined score of 1220 on the SAT I. Such students may take no more than 6 courses their first semester.

A letter of recommendation is required from the applicant's high school principal or college guidance counselor.

Applicants who are not high school graduates (or foreign applicants who do not have the equivalent diploma or cannot produce reports) may be considered if they pass the High School Equivalency Examination administered by New York State (commonly called the GED test) in addition to performing well on the College Board tests. While the passing mark is a 45 average, the minimum required for admission to Yeshiva University is 50, with a minimum of 40 on each test.

Full details about the GED test may be secured from any high school in New York or, in other states, from their respective departments of education.

A diploma from a correspondence school is not acceptable for admission purposes. Students with such diplomas are required to pass the GED test, as described above.

ADMISSION WITH ADVANCED STANDING

A maximum of 32 credits may be transferred for work done in high school as follows:

1. A maximum of four semester courses (12 credits) taken in 12th grade through joint high school/college programs or through OAC. No OAC credits are given for English, chemistry, business, or Judaic studies, or for any courses taken prior to the 12th grade.
2. The balance of maximum transferable credits may be earned through the following standardized exams:

Advanced Placement Examination (AP): exemption or credit depending on score. An AP score of 4 or 5 earns credit; a score of 3 earns exemption. For English, there is no exemption. AP credit is given for composition only (not literature). To earn lab credit, students must present lab work for approval.

Additional information is available from the Office of Admissions.

Jerusalem Examination: exemption or credit depending on score. The Jerusalem Examination is in two parts, one on Hebrew language and the other on Hebrew literature. Hebrew University administers the examination annually at various locations throughout the world, including many cities in the United States and Canada. Yeshiva University's policy on credit for this examination is available from the Office of the Registrar or the Office of Admissions.

Part I: Literature

- 65-74 No credit; no exemption
- 75-up 3 credits – HEB Elective
(does not satisfy any requirements).

Part II: Language

- 0-64 No credit; no exemption
- 65-74 Exemption – HEB 1205, Intermediate Hebrew I
- 75-84 3 credits – HEB 1205, Intermediate Hebrew I
- 85-89 3 credits – HEB 1205, Intermediate Hebrew I; exemption from HEB 1206, Intermediate Hebrew II
- 90-up 6 credits – HEB 1205, Intermediate Hebrew I; HEB 1206,

Intermediate Hebrew II

Jewish History Examination: The University administers its own college-level placement examination in Jewish history at cooperating high schools each January and June. A score of 4 or 5 earns credit. A score of 3 earns exemption.

College credit on the basis of examinations is granted only for the Advanced Placement Program, College-Level Examination Program, and Jerusalem Examination, described above. Where such examinations are not available, a student may be excused (generally without credit) from a basic course taught at the University on the basis of a written examination prepared by the department. A student who wishes to take such an examination should consult with the Office of the Dean.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Applicants who have attended another college must satisfy the same requirements as applicants who come directly from high school. They must also have maintained a B average or its GPA equivalent at the institution from which they are transferring.

Students who wish to transfer credit for courses taken at other institutions may be asked for catalogs, course descriptions, or other material to supplement their official transcripts. No credit may be transferred if the course grade is below C; if the subject is technical, vocational, or not ordinarily classified as liberal arts or business; or if the course is more than 10 years old. Transfer credits do not appear on a student's permanent record until the student has satisfactorily completed at least 12 credits at Yeshiva University in New York.



The maximum credit that may be transferred from accredited, degree-granting institutions is no more than 22 per semester and 43 in a 12-month period. A maximum of 8 credits per semester or 16 in a 12-month period, for a total of up to 32 credits, may be granted for study at an approved American non-degree-granting institution. Transfer of credit is subject to several limitations and restrictions; contact the Office of Admissions for full details.

Courses transferred from another institution, whether taken before or after admission to Yeshiva University, appear on the student's record with credit value only; grades earned elsewhere are not entered on the records of Yeshiva University, except in programs for which the tuition is paid through the University.

FOREIGN APPLICANTS

Applicants from all foreign countries, and in the United States for less than three years, should complete the Foreign Student Questionnaire included in the application packet. All applicants who have attended foreign schools must send their records, along with an official translation, to the Office of Admissions. Applicants from non-English-speaking countries may be allowed to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) in lieu of the verbal part of the SAT I, and must score a minimum of 525 on the paper-based test or 197 on the computer-based test to be admitted to Yeshiva University. For permission to substitute the TOEFL for the College Board series, applicants should contact the Office of Admissions. A bulletin and other information regarding the test itself may be obtained from

TOEFL SERVICES
P.O. Box 6151
Princeton, NJ 08541
USA
609-771-7100
609-771-7500 FAX
www.toefl.org

Students who are unable to take the TOEFL in their country should write to the Office of Admissions, which may permit the substitution of an alternate test site.

Non-native English speakers in the United States less than seven years undergo a language screening prior to registering. Students who do not demonstrate near-native proficiency in English are required to register for developmental writing and speaking English courses their first semester and to attend

such courses until they pass and are able to register for mainstream composition and speech courses. Students whose language proficiency does not reach the introductory developmental level may be asked to take courses outside the University until they have demonstrated language proficiency sufficient to register for the developmental language courses.



VETERANS

A veteran honorably discharged from the armed forces with service of at least one year may be granted 2 credits for completion of basic training and military service in lieu of physical education. Veterans with at least two years of service may be allowed an additional 2 credits in lieu of physical education.

Credit for courses taken with the Armed Forces Institute is granted in accordance with the regulations of the New York State Education Department and with the recommendations of the American Council on Education.

COLLEGE COURSES FOR YESHIVA UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Yeshiva University High School seniors with good records may take individual undergraduate courses at Stern College for Women or Sy Syms School of Business, for which they may receive college credit. Information on availability of individual courses is available from the Office of the Registrar.

S. DANIEL ABRAHAM ISRAEL PROGRAM

Yeshiva University has established the S. Daniel Abraham Israel Program to enable its students to spend a period of time studying in Israel. While studying at affiliated institutions in Israel, students are listed as enrolled at Yeshiva University. This provides for a smooth academic and social transition in going to and returning from Israel.

Students may also study at other approved degree and non-degree institutions; refer to the Transfer Student section above regarding the University's policy on transfer of credit from other schools.

TYPES OF ADMISSION

Each admitted student is classified under one of the following categories. Not all schools admit under all categories.

Regular Students: Students admitted with permission to work toward degrees or diplomas fall into the Regular category. A Regular student admitted with a condition must resolve it within the time limit set by the Office of Admissions to maintain regular student status.

Provisional Students: Students admitted without meeting the full requirements for Regular status are Provisional. After two semesters of full-time attendance and demonstration of satisfactory performance, such students may petition the dean to be reclassified as Regular. While classified as Provisional, students take a limited program and must consult with the Office of Academic Advisement each semester before registration to review their progress and receive approval of their proposed programs.

Transient Students: Applicants who wish to enroll only to meet particular needs as they pursue a degree at other institutions, without pursuing a regular program leading to a degree or diploma at Yeshiva University, may be admitted as Transient students, with the permission of their home institution and the specific approval of the school of Yeshiva University to which they have applied. For the semester(s) attended, Transient students must be enrolled exclusively at Yeshiva University (i.e., they cannot take individual courses while continuing their studies at the home institution).

Visiting Students: With the permission of both schools, students enrolled with Regular or Provisional status in one school of Yeshiva University may register for a limited number of courses at another school as Visiting students.

All students, regardless of their status, must meet all standards and comply with all regulations and requirements.

UNIVERSITY RESOURCES

Undergraduate students have many opportunities to benefit from the graduate and professional schools that also are part of Yeshiva University. These include academic programs such as funded summer internships at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and joint degree programs with the Wurzweiler School of Social Work and the Cardozo School of Law.

There are special scholarships for YU undergraduates who go on to graduate study within the University, such as the David Berg and Family scholarships at the Cardozo School of Law and the Anne Scheiber Scholarship Fund at Stern College.

Admissions committees at the YU graduate and professional schools give special attention to applications from our undergraduates and are well acquainted with the strengths of the undergraduate academic and Jewish Studies programs. The Albert Einstein College of Medicine grants an interview to all YU seniors who apply.

