



## Admissions

Yeshiva University is committed to a policy of equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in admissions and all other facets of its educational programs and activities. Address inquiries concerning the nondiscrimination policies to Yeshiva University's Diversity & Affirmative Action Officer located at Yeshiva University-Wilf Campus, 2495 Amsterdam Avenue, Room 204, (646) 592-4336.

### APPLICATION PROCEDURES

**Where to Apply:** All correspondence on matters of admission should be addressed to [yuadmit@yu.edu](mailto:yuadmit@yu.edu) or Yeshiva University, Office of Admissions, 500 West 185th Street, Furst Hall, Suite 101 New York, NY 10033-3299; 646-592-4440.

**How to Apply:** Online applications are available at: [www.yu.edu/admissions](http://www.yu.edu/admissions). There is a \$65 application fee.

**When to Apply:** Candidates may apply at any time after completion of their junior year of high school. Applications for the Fall Semester are due by February 1, and applications for the Spring semester are due by October 15<sup>th</sup> of the fall immediately preceding enrollment.

### APPLICATION COMPONENTS

- **Personal Essay.** Students should attach the personal essay to the online application.
- **Transcript.** Students should arrange to have a transcript of their high school record mailed directly from their high school to the YU Office of Admissions.
- **Standardized Test Scores.** Students should arrange for their scores on either the Scholastic Assessment Test I (SAT I) or the American College Testing examination (ACT) to be forwarded to the YU Office of Admissions. The YU school code is 2990 for SAT and 2992 for ACT.
- **Interview.** Applicants are required to schedule an interview in order to complete the application process. Interviews are conducted in cities and schools throughout the country during the first semester of an applicant's senior year. Students who are unable to have an interview in their city or school should call the Office of Admissions at 646-592-4440 to schedule an on-campus or remote interview with a member of the Admissions staff. Applications will only be considered complete after an interview has been conducted and all supplemental information has been received.

### 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, potential, and contributions to school and community life.

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**High School 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 1170 in one sitting, on the critical reading and math sections of the SAT I or an equivalent score of 24 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/ACT in the spring of the junior year of high school or fall of the senior year. If these tests are only given on Saturday, Sabbath- observing students may take them on Sunday by special arrangement with the test administrators. Full information is available from the Office of Admissions or college guidance counselor at the student's high school.

## HONORS PROGRAMS

### Stern College for Women

The S. Daniel Abraham Honors Program at Stern College offers advanced coursework and other opportunities that challenge and stimulate students while enlarging their perspectives and future prospects. Honors students work closely with faculty and stellar classmates, benefit from cultural programming, participate in summer internships and research, and have the opportunity to collaborate with a professor on an intensive thesis project.

Students typically apply to and are accepted into the Honors Program prior to their arrival at Stern College. The application process is very competitive, and the average standardized test score in a cohort of applicants is a 1450 on the SAT (Critical Reading and Math), or 32 ACT Composite Score, and a high school average of 95. Students applying for the Honors Program are considered for one of the academic scholarships available to applicants who show outstanding promise.

In addition, a limited number of spaces are available each year for students already on campus; such students may apply in early June for acceptance the following fall. To be eligible for consideration, students must have a GPA of at least 3.600, and submit the special application for on-campus students available from the director of the Honors Program. Students should only apply if they will be able to participate in the Honors Program for at least four semesters. There are no financial awards given to students already at SCW who join the Honors Program.



## Sy Syms School of Business

The Business Honors and Entrepreneurial Leadership Program at Sy Syms School of Business offers advanced coursework and other opportunities that challenge and stimulate students while enlarging their perspectives and future prospects. Honors students work closely with faculty and stellar classmates, benefit from cultural programming, participate in summer internships and research, and have the opportunity to collaborate with a professor on an intensive thesis project.

Students typically apply to and are accepted into the Honors Program prior to their arrival at Sy Syms. The application process is very competitive, and the average standardized test score in a cohort of applicants is a 1450 on the SAT (Critical Reading and Math), or 32 ACT Composite Score, and a high school average of 95. Admission to the Sy Syms Business Honors and Entrepreneurial Leadership Program requires Sy Syms honors students to exhibit excellent academic achievement as well as evidence of significant entrepreneurship and leadership potential. . Students applying for the Honors Program are considered for one of the academic scholarships available to applicants who show outstanding promise.

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## INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

International students must file the Admission Application 4-6 months prior to the fall semester in which they wish to attend to allow sufficient time to complete the admissions, immigration, and visa processes. International students can obtain information about the immigration and visa process from the International Students webpage at [www.yu.edu/Student-Life/Resources-and-Services/International/](http://www.yu.edu/Student-Life/Resources-and-Services/International/).

- **Application:** Complete the online application form available at: [www.yu.edu/admissions](http://www.yu.edu/admissions), including all required essays, and submit it along with the \$65 application fee payable to Yeshiva University in U.S. dollars.
  - **Transcripts:** All transcripts, both high school and college if applicable, must be submitted by the school(s). Transcripts submitted by the applicants are not considered official. A student who attended a Jewish high school should submit a Jewish studies transcript as well. All transcripts and copies of certificates qualifying the applicant for admission to university that are not in English or Hebrew must be officially translated into English and sent directly to the Office of Admissions by World Education Services, or WES (for more information, please visit [www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org)). The student is required to submit results of any and all exit exams taken upon completion of the foreign high school (i.e., Baccalaureat, Bagrut, etc.).
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- **Course Evaluation:** Courses taken in a college/university need to be evaluated in order to be considered for transfer credit. The student must submit syllabi and course descriptions for all such courses taken. **Please note that your course work can only be evaluated for transfer of credit once you have submitted the official transcripts, course descriptions and syllabi. The evaluation may not be completed by the time you register for classes if the documents are not received by the application deadline.** All documents must be officially translated into English.
- **Standardized Tests:** The SAT I is required for international students applying from Canada. Other international students must take the TOEFL if either of the following two criteria apply: 1) the student is a citizen of a non-English speaking country, or the student's first and/or dominant language is not English; or 2) the student has resided in the United States for less than three years and the student's first and/or dominant language is not English. Yeshiva University requires a minimum score of 82 on the Internet-based test, to include a minimum score of 21 in both reading and writing. Scores must be submitted directly by the testing service (school code 2990). For information on the TOEFL, visit [www.toefl.org](http://www.toefl.org).
- **Interview:** It is the candidate's responsibility to schedule the interview by calling the Office of Admissions at 646-592-4440. Interviews are conducted at our New York and Israel offices. Applications will only be considered complete after an interview has been conducted.
- **Letters of recommendation:** Two letters of recommendation are required; preferably one from a teacher and another from a clergyman.
- **Financial aid:** International students in need of financial assistance must fill out the International Undergraduate Student Financial Aid Application, which is available at [www.yu.edu/osf](http://www.yu.edu/osf), or through the Office of Student Aid (212.960.5399).
- **Student Visa:** International students should not arrive in the U.S. until after they have received their I-20 certificate of eligibility from the International Student Advisor.

## TYPES OF ADMISSION

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

**General Admission:** Students admitted with permission to work toward degrees or diplomas. A student admitted pending condition must resolve it within the time limit set by the Office of Admissions in order to maintain regular student status.

**Provisional Admission:** Students admitted without meeting the full requirements for regular status. While classified as provisional, students take a limited program and must consult with the Office of Academic Advisement each semester before registration. This process ensures that the students' progress be reviewed and that they receive approval of their class schedules and proposed programs. Provisional students who demonstrate

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satisfactory progress and maintain a 2.000 GPA after two semesters of full-time attendance will be reclassified as regular.

**Transient/Visiting Admission:** Students who enroll only to meet particular needs as they pursue a degree at other institutions, without pursuing a program for a degree or diploma at Yeshiva University. Applicants 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).

**Transfer Students:** Applicants who have attended another college must satisfy the same requirements as applicants who matriculate directly from high school. Applicants must have maintained a B average or its GPA equivalent at the institution from which they are transferring. In order to have their previous course work evaluated, transfer students should forward updated transcripts, syllabi and course descriptions prior to their arrival on campus.

**Early Admission Program:** An 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 11:

- English Language- 3
- Additional Language- 2
- Social Studies- 2
- Mathematics- 2
- Science-2

A student applying to the Early Admission Program, under which the student may take a full college program, must present a high school average of at least 90 or its grade point average (GPA) equivalent, and a combined score of 1300 on the SAT I critical reading and mathematics sections or a composite score of 28 on the ACT.

An official letter of recommendation is required from the applicant's principal or college guidance counselor for admission into the Early Admission Program.

**Applicants who are not high school graduates:** Applicants who have not completed high school (or foreign applicants who do not have the equivalent diploma or cannot produce records) may be admitted 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. Full details about the GED test may be secured from any high school in New York or, in other states, from the Department of Education.

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

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## ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

### Application Components

AP credit may be used to fulfill major and general education requirements. Students who have taken the Advanced Placement Examination in high school may qualify for college credit. A student who earns credit in any discipline must consult with the department chair before registering for advanced courses in that discipline.

AP credit is applied automatically once the Office of the Registrar receives an official score report from the College Board. Students must request that their scores be sent to Yeshiva University (code 2990), which they can do online. Students need not fill out any additional forms.

### Policy on Credit for the AP Examinations (as of Fall 2018 for exams taken in 2019)

1. A score of 1, 2, or 3 does not earn credit or exemption.
2. A score of 4 or 5 earns credit for the equivalent course. In Computer Science A and Physics, a score of 5 is required to earn credit.

Test	Course Equivalent	Towards SCW General Ed.	Towards SSSB Requirement	Cr.
Art History	ARTS 1051	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	Humanities	3
	ARTS 1052	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Biology (1)	BIOL 1011 (Lecture only)	Science and Technology	Social/Natural Science	3
	BIOL 1012 (Lecture only)	Science and Technology	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Calculus AB	MATH 1412	Quantitative skills	IDS 1010 - Math for Business	3
Calculus BC (7)	MATH 1412	Quantitative skills	IDS 1010 - Math for Business	3
	MATH 1413	Elective	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Chemistry (1)	CHEM 1045 (Lecture only)	Science and Technology	Social/Natural Science	3
	CHEM 1046 (Lecture only)	Science and Technology	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Computer Science A (4)	COMP ELEC	Quantitative skills	128 credits (no specific category)	4
Computer Science Principles	COMP ELEC	Elective	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Economics: Micro	ECON 1010	Foundations and Contemporary	ECON 1010 - Principles of	3
Economics: Macro	ECON 1041	Foundations and Contemporary	Business Elective (not General)	3
English Lang & Comp	No credit	No credit	No credit	0
English Lit & Comp (3)	ELEC ELEC	Elective	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Environmental Science (1a)	SCIE ELEC	Science and Technology: Non-Science	Social/Natural Science	3
European History	HIST 1102	Foundations and Contemporary	Humanities	3
French Language (2)	FREN 1201	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	Humanities	3
	FREN 1202	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	128 credits (no specific category)	3
French Literature	FREN 2101	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	Humanities	3
	FREN 2102	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Gov't and Politics Comparative	POLI 1501	Foundations and Contemporary	Social/Natural Science	3
Gov't and Politics: US	POLI 1101	Foundations and Contemporary	Social/Natural Science	3
Human Geography	ELEC ELEC	Elective	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Music Theory	MUSI ELEC	Elective (6)	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Physics 1	PHYS 1031R (Lecture only)	Science and Technology	Social/Natural Science	3
Physics 2	No credit	No credit	No credit	0
Physics C (Mechanics)	PHYS 1051R (Lecture only)	Science and Technology	Social/Natural Science	3
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Psychology	PSYC 1010	Foundations and Contemporary	Social/Natural Science	3
Spanish Language (2)	SPAN 1201	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	Humanities	3
	SPAN 1202	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	128 credits (no specific category)	3
Spanish Literature	SPAN 2101	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	Humanities	3
	SPAN 2102	Interpreting Literature and the Arts	128 credits (no specific category)	3



Statistics	STAT 1021	Quantitative skills	IDS 1131 - Statistics for Business	3
Studio Art	ARTS 2001	Elective	128 credits (no specific category)	3
US History	HIST 1201	Foundations and Contemporary	Humanities	3
	HIST 1202	Elective	128 credits (no specific category)	3
World History	HIST ELEC	Foundations and Contemporary	Humanities	3
	ELEC ELEC	Elective	128 credits (no specific category)	3

### Notes

- (1) Up to two additional credits may be granted for laboratory experience. Submit a detailed syllabus to the Registrar.
- (1a) One additional credit may be granted for laboratory experience. Submit a detailed syllabus to the Registrar.
- (2) Students may not take a foreign language AP examination in their native language.
- (3) Not toward major, minor or Interpreting Literature and the Arts of General Education Requirements.
- (4) Students who want to take more advanced Computer Science courses must pass a Python 3 exam (at the 80% level) administered by the Computer Science department. Upon doing so, the 4 credits for COMP ELEC will be changed to 4 credits for COMP 1300C.
- (5) Student requires IDS 1400: Regression Analysis
- (6) A score of 5 is required to count toward Statistics for Business requirement.
- (7) Elective or as Music Elective toward Music major or minor.
- (8) Credits granted for MATH 1412 with AB subscore of 4 or 5.

### Duplication of AP and YU Courses

Students may not claim both AP and YU credit for the same course. A student may choose not to accept credit for an AP course on her transcript and elect to take the YU course instead; however, once she does take the course she must accept the YU grade.

### The Bechinah Yerushalmit (Jerusalem Examination)

The Jewish Agency, in conjunction with the Hebrew University, annually administers the Jerusalem Examination (Bechinah Yerushalmit) at various locations throughout the world, including New York. The examination, usually given in May, is a two-part test of proficiency in Hebrew language and literature. Credit is awarded depending upon the score earned and only if it was taken before the student graduated from high school.

A combined score on Parts I and II of 150 earns 3 credits of a Hebrew elective.  
A combined score on Parts I and II of 160 or above earns 6 credits of Hebrew electives.  
Regardless of the credits earned, the number of Hebrew courses to be taken at SCW is determined by the SCW Hebrew Placement Exam.

Further information about the Jerusalem examination is available from The Jewish Agency, Department for Jewish Zionist Education, 6333 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, New York, NY 10017, phone: 1-866-835-0430.



### **THE YU COLLEGE LEVEL TEST IN JEWISH HISTORY**

YU has developed examinations in Jewish History that test the student's knowledge of the political, social, economic, and cultural currents in the history of the Jews from the Second Commonwealth to the Modern Era. There are three examinations: Classical, Medieval, and Modern Jewish History, any one of which may be taken for credit.

The tests are prepared and read by Yeshiva University Jewish Studies faculty and are graded on a scale of 1 (low) to 5 (high). Scores of 4 or 5 earn 3 credits for each examination in lieu of the equivalent college course. Neither credit nor exemption is granted for scores of 1, 2, or 3. Credit is only awarded if the exam is taken while the student is still enrolled in high school.

For further information about this examination (including a suggested reading list) consult with your high school guidance office or with the course coordinator, Rabbi Dr. Rosensweig.

### **International Examinations**

#### **1. Credits and Scores:**

Upon presentation of official documentation, a maximum of 12 credits may be awarded for an approved exam with the scores below.

French Baccalaureate: A score of at least 14 and a coefficient of at least 5 is required.

International Baccalaureate: A score of at least 6 is required.

Matura (Austria): A score of 1 or 2 is required.

A-Level (Britain): A score of B or higher is required.

Other international exams will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

#### **2. Language exams:**

Students will not be awarded credit for language exams in their native or dominant languages.

Students will not be awarded credit for language exams assessing Hebrew or English.

#### **3. Application of credits:**

The student must present official documentation and course syllabi to the Admissions Office. That office, in conjunction with the Registrar's Office, will forward all material to the relevant department for review. The department will decide whether the exam may apply toward the major, minor, or specific General Education requirement or will be applied as elective credit.