



Admissions

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APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Where to Apply: All correspondence on matters of admission should be addressed to yuadmit@yu.edu or Yeshiva University, Office of Admissions, 500 West 185th Street, Furst Hall, Suite 101 New York, NY 10033-3299; 212-960-5277 (telephone); 212-960-0086 (fax).

How to Apply: Online applications are available at: 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 before February 1, for admission in the September following their graduation. Application for admission in the spring semester must be complete by October 15.

APPLICATION COMPONENTS

- **Personal Essay.** Students will attach the essay in 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. Scores will also be accepted if included by the high school on the high school record.
- **Interview.** Applicants are required to schedule an interview at the university by calling 212-960-5277. Applicants can also arrange in advance to sit in on classes and tour the campus with a current student. Applicants who live outside the tristate area may arrange for an interview with a university representative in their vicinity.

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.

High School Average: To qualify for admission, a candidate should present a high school average of at least 85 or its equivalent. The Committee on Admissions may require higher



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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 in one sitting, on the critical reading and math sections of the SAT I or a composite 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. Although these tests are normally 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.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

Students whose high school ends at Grade 11 should apply as Early Admission candidates and must meet all criteria for Early Admission.

- **Application:** Complete the application form, 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 (for more information, please visit 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.)
- **Course Evaluation:** In order to evaluate college courses and have them considered for transfer credit, the student must submit syllabi and course descriptions for all 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, and may not be completed by the time you register for classes if it is 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. International students must take the TOEFL if either of the following two criteria apply: 1) he or she is a citizen of a non-English speaking country, or the student's first and/or dominant language is not English; or 2) he or she 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 (code 2990). For information on the TOEFL, visit www.toefl.org.

- **Interview:** It is the candidate's responsibility to schedule the interview by calling the Office of Admissions at 212.960.5277. Interviews are conducted at our New York and Israel offices, or with a local representative where possible. 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, 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.

International students are advised to apply for admissions early because it can take 2 to 3 months to complete the admissions, immigration, and visa processes before the start of the Fall semester. International students can obtain information about the immigration and visa process from the Student Affairs webpage at www.yu.edu/studentaffairs.

TYPES OF ADMISSION

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

Regular Admittance: Students admitted with permission to work toward degrees or diplomas. 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 Admittance: 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 to review their progress and receive approval of their proposed programs. Provisional students who demonstrate satisfactory performance after two semesters of full-time attendance may petition the dean to be reclassified as regular.

Transient Admittance: Students who 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. 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).



Visiting Students: students who register for a limited number of courses in a school of Yeshiva University while enrolled with regular or provisional status in another YU school. Students must have the permission of both schools to register as visiting.

Transfer Students: Applicants who have attended another college must satisfy the same requirements as applicants who come directly from high school. They must have maintained a B average or its GPA equivalent at the institution from which they are transferring. In order to have the credits evaluated, transfer student 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

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 critical reading and mathematics sections or the ACT equivalent for admission under the Regular Early Admission Program, under which the student may take a full college program (normally 15 credits a semester).

Limited Early Admission Program: An applicant must present a high school average of 85 or its grade point average (GPA) equivalent and a combined score of 1220 on the SAT I critical reading and mathematics sections or the ACT equivalent. Such students may take 12-14.5 credits at the college each of the first two semesters.

A letter of recommendation is required from the applicant's principal or college guidance counselor for admission into both the regular Early Admission Program and the Limited 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. 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 the Department 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.

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



ADMISSION WITH ADVANCED STANDING

Application Components

AP credit may be used to fulfill major and additional elective requirements. 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 Registrar receives an official score report from the College Board. Students must request that their scores be sent, and can do so online. Students need not fill out any additional forms.

Credit and Exemption

Credit and exemption for AP exams are awarded only for a score of 5. Scores of 4 or lower earn neither credit nor exemption. This includes the AP Jewish History as well. No credit is given for AP English Literature.

Pre-med students: Pre-med students who have taken the AP Biology course and examination, especially those not planning to major in Biology, should be aware that they will not be adequately prepared to score at a sufficient level for serious consideration by medical schools unless they take biology courses in college. Students who are not interested in taking advanced biology electives should be advised to retake Principles of Biology I & II instead.

AP Examination Equivalence Chart

Test	YC Equivalent	Credits
American Government & Politics	POL 1040	3
American History	HIS 2005, 2006	6
Art: History of Art	ART 1052	2
Art: Studio Art	ART 2511	2
Biology	BIO 1011C, 1012C	6
Chemistry	CHE 1045C, 1046C	6
Computer Science A ¹	COM 1300	3
Computer Science AB ²	COM 1300	3
Economics: Macro	ECO 1011	3
Economics: Micro	ECO 1021	3
European History	HIS 1002 + Elective	6
French Language ³	FRE 1201	3
OR French Literature ³	FRE 2101	3
German Language ³	GER 1201	3
Latin: Virgil	LAT 1232	3
Latin: Catullus – Horace	LAT 2201	3
Mathematics AB	MAT 1412	3
Mathematics BC	MAT 1412, 1413	6
Music: Listening & Literature	MUS 1111A + Elective	6
Music: Theory	MUS 2111	3



Physics B	PHY 1031C, 1032C	6
Physics C ⁴	PHY 1041C, 1042C	6
Psychology	PSY 1010	3
Spanish: Language	SPA 1201	3
OR		
Spanish: Literature	SPA 2101	3
Statistics	STA 1021	3

1. Must be taught in C++.
2. May be taught in any programming language.
3. Students may not take a foreign language AP examination in their native language.
4. A student may earn three credits for each of the two parts of the Physics C examination.

Duplication of AP and Yeshiva College Courses

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

The Bechinah Yerushalmit (Jerusalem Examination)

The Bechinah Yerushalmit is an AP-like test in Hebrew language and literature administered by Hebrew University in various locations around the world. The Bechinah Yerushalmit is only awarded credit if taken before the student graduated high school. Transfer credit and/or Hebrew Language exemptions are awarded as follows:

- Students who receive **75% through 84%** on the Jerusalem Exam scaled score (including both sections) will receive 3 credits for the Jerusalem Exam. These 3 credits will be listed at the beginning of the transcript as transfer credit and will be recorded as Hebrew Elective – 3 credits. Additionally, the student is required to take the regular Hebrew Placement Exam. These tests are administered by the Hebrew Department during Orientation.
- In addition to receiving the aforementioned credits for Hebrew Elective – 3 credits, students who score **85% and higher** on the Jerusalem Exam scaled score are automatically exempt from one semester of the Hebrew requirement. They do NOT have to take the Placement Test, but they are required to take **one** semester of Hebrew – either Advanced Hebrew I (Hebrew 1305) or Advanced Hebrew II (Hebrew 1306). (To be placed directly into HEB 1306 the student would need to pass the 1305 exemption test.) They may attempt the 1306 Exemption Test if they wish to be exempted from the requirement to take any Hebrew course. These tests are administered by the Hebrew Department during Orientation.
- Students who wish to receive credit for the Jerusalem Exam should submit to the registrar the documents issues by the WZO Jerusalem Exam office to determine the scaled score. The registrar will also forward a copy of the document for those students who scored 85% and above to the Hebrew Program Coordinator.



The British A-Level Examinations

- Students who receive a grade of “B” or better on their A-Level exams may receive credit.
- Faculty will need to evaluate the provisional statements (which outlines the topics that were covered through the examination) to determine what each exam may fulfill.
- If there is an A-Level that does not fit into our curriculum a student may receive general elective credit.
- Under no circumstances will credit be granted without the original certificate.
- The following A-level exams have been evaluated by YC faculty:

<u>Exam</u>	<u>YC Course Equivalent</u>	<u>Credits</u>
Computing	COM 1300C & COM 1320C	8
Economics	ECO 1031 & ECO 1041	6
English Literature	ENG 4554	6
Mathematics	MAT 1412, MAT 1413, MAT 1510, PHY 1041R, STA 1020	18
Physics	PHY 1031C & PHY 1032C	8

No credit is awarded for the Israeli Bagrut or Psychometric Exams, or the French Baccalauréat.

COLLEGE COURSES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Yeshiva University High School seniors with good records may take individual undergraduate courses for college credit at Yeshiva College or the Sy Syms School of Business. These courses do not count toward undergraduate residency requirements. For information on availability of courses, contact the Office of the Registrar.

UNIVERSITY RESOURCES

Undergraduate students have many opportunities to benefit from Yeshiva University’s graduate and professional schools. 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.