

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

General Requirements for Admission

Young men of the Jewish faith regardless of race or national origin may apply for admission to the Mesivta Torah Vodaath Rabbinical Seminary.

The general requirements for admission are as follows:

1. **High School Completion:** Acceptable documentation may be either a High School diploma, High School records or letter from High School certifying completion, or,
2. GED or,
3. Successful completion of an approved Ability to Benefit Test* or,
4. Successful completion of 6 college credits prior to admission to our college as a regular student* (*for students who attended college prior to July of 2012 only) or,
5. Registered for admission to a college for at least 6 credits prior to July of 2012 or,
6. Completion of a two year post-secondary program, or 60 college credits that are fully acceptable toward our Undergraduate degree.

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The Admissions Process

The first step in the admissions process is to arrange for a personal interview with the Dean. At the time of the interview, a thorough examination will be administered by a member of the Admissions Staff. The Admissions Office will also welcome transcripts of previous advanced study at another institution and recommendations from faculty members at your previous school.

Applicants will be selected based on intellectual ability, academic preparation, and personal ethical development. If accepted for enrollment, the applicant will then be asked to complete an admission form.

Admission to Mesivta Torah Vodaath Rabbinical Seminary is open to male members of the Orthodox Jewish faith regardless of color, race, national origin, or physical handicap.

The present facilities at Mesivta Torah Vodaath Rabbinical Seminary are partially accessible to the handicapped student. However, the Seminary is committed to accepting any handicapped applicant and, at the time he is accepted, will make satisfactory arrangements to enable him to attend.

In order to initiate the application process, we encourage you to write to the Dean of Students at:

Mesivta Torah Vodaath Rabbinical Seminary
425 East 9th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11218

Part-Time Admissions

Students registering for fewer than 12 credits in a particular semester are considered part-time students. Admissions requirements for part-time students are the same as

those for full-time students. However, financial aid opportunities may be somewhat different. For information regarding part-time financial aid eligibility, prospective

part-time students should consult the Financial Aid Office during regular business hours, prior to enrolling.

Continuing Education

Our Continuing Education Division offers evening courses three times a week to adults who wish to augment their studies in the various offerings of this division.

Classes are conducted by well-known educators in the field of Torah study, as represented by members of our highly capable staff, as well as guest lecturers of diverse backgrounds.

Advanced Standing and Credit by Examination

Applicants seeking advanced standing for courses taken in High School, or through a degree or non-degree granting Rabbinical institution in the United States or abroad, should consult with the Office of the Registrar, to be scheduled for an evaluation by the academic department.

A candidate for such status must pass a comprehensive oral examination, as well as submit recommendations from faculty at the previous institution. Course work will be evaluated in conjunction with the oral examination and the applicant will be advised of the level of standing at which he will be accepted, as well as the number of grade points that he will be granted for his previously completed work. The precise number of advanced credits and placement will be determined on a case-by-case basis. If, however, the student fails to maintain a high academic standing, the decision may be subject to revocation.

Credit by examination, as well as advanced standing credits will be approved by the Rosh Hayeshiva.

Transfer Credits

Applicants who previously attended another Rabbinical institution may be able to transfer comparable courses to Mesivta Torah Vodaath. Applicants must indicate their desire to be considered for transfer credits, either on their Application for Admission or during their initial contact with the school.

An official transcript from the previous school must be submitted to the Registrar's Office. Following its evaluation, the student will be apprised of the value of the courses and grades earned, as they pertain to his initial standing at our institution.

Auditing Policy

Interested persons may audit most lecture courses at MTVRS, if there is space available in the course. Students who are unable to meet the entrance requirements, or those not wishing to carry a formal course of study may, with the permission of the Rosh Yeshiva, audit certain courses. These audited courses may not be used to establish a full work load. Audited courses are not used in determining the academic status of students.