## M.A.R. CONCENTRATION PROGRAM EXTENDED YEAR

An extended degree program is offered for selected students in the concentrated M.A.R. program. This allows students to take additional courses during a third academic year in the program.

Each year a limited number of spots is available for this program. The selection committee can fill no more than this number of openings but may develop a waiting list if warranted. There may be two selection rounds, the first in the fall term and a possible second in the spring term. If students are not selected in the fall, they may reapply in the spring, if there are spaces available, along with students who did not submit their applications for the fall-term selection round.

Applications in the fall term are due by October 15; notifications are sent by November 15. Students must notify the Admissions Office of their decision by March 20. Applications in the spring term are due by March 1; notifications are sent by March 26. Students must notify the Admissions Office of their decision by April 15.

Students must include the following items in their applications:

- 1. your name
- 2. address and e-mail address
- 3. area of concentration
- 4. a completed M.A.R. course plan (blank copies are downloadable online, or hardcopies are available in the wooden file stand in the lobby just outside the Academic Affairs Office), with anticipated fourth-term courses included
- 5. a statement explaining why the student wishes to extend their concentrated M.A.R. program
- 6. a description of the doctoral program the student will by applying for and how it fits into their statement of interest above
- 7. two letters of recommendation from Yale faculty. One of these letters must be from a faculty member in the area of concentration.

## <u>Please submit your application in electronic form to timothee.goselin@yale.edu in the Office of Academic Affairs.</u>

Students accepted into the extended year will need to apply for financial aid, and a new award will be calculated. The new award will not be based on previous scholarship aid received at YDS, and awards are normally capped at 50% of tuition. Federal loan programs will be available provided Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) is maintained. Please note that any funding current ISM students receive for a third year of study must come from the ISM.

## Special funding for extended-year study abroad:

Students who apply and are accepted into one of our international exchange programs as well as into the extended-year MAR program can receive full tuition assistance (assuming demonstrated need) for the semester or year during which they study abroad (financial aid for the extended year is normally capped at half of tuition). Applicants to the extended-year MAR program should indicate if they are applying/have applied to a study abroad program.

Applicants should demonstrate the ability to benefit fully from the study abroad program, including showing appropriate linguistic competence or plan to acquire such competence. Up to five such full-tuition awards will be made each year. Those who wish to use the extended year to study in one of our international exchange programs must apply in the fall round rather than the spring round; notification will be delayed until after the study abroad selection process is completed in late December/early January.