Inspiring the Minds that Inspire the World

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January 15 Priority application
February 1 Standard application
March 1 Financial aid application deadline
March 15 Decisions release
April 15 Student reply deadline
Graduating students process on the YDS campus to the Commencement degree ceremony.

Yale Divinity School educates and inspires the scholars, ministers, and leaders of the global future. Students from a full spectrum of backgrounds and Christian denominations come together at YDS to develop their faith and intellect while beginning a lifetime of ministry, scholarship, and service to church and world.

YDS fulfills a critical role preparing leaders at a time of dramatic shifts in the global theological landscape. The student body represents cultures, ethnicities, and faith communities from around the world. They are taught by a world-class faculty of scholars and teachers eager to prepare students for the new global century. Our daily ecumenical worship services in Marquand Chapel reflect the great variety of theological and worship traditions represented here.

Master of Divinity (3 years)  The degree of Master of Divinity (M.Div.) certifies completion of a program of theological studies designed primarily, although not exclusively, to prepare the candidate for ordination to the Christian ministry.

Master of Arts in Religion (Comprehensive, 2 years)  The degree of Master of Arts in Religion (M.A.R.) certifies either completion of a comprehensive program of study in preparation for one of the many forms of lay ministry or service, or completion of one of the concentrated programs of advanced study.

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Master of Sacred Theology  Graduates of theological schools of recognized standing who have obtained an M.Div. degree may be admitted to a program of studies leading to the Master of Sacred Theology (S.T.M.) degree. YDS also offers an S.T.M. for ministry professionals requiring only one semester in residency.

JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMS
- Religion & Ecology (Yale School of the Environment)
- Religion & Law (Yale Law School)
- Religion & Management (Yale School of Management)
- Religion & Medicine (Yale School of Medicine)
- Religion & Nursing (Yale School of Nursing)
- Religion and Public Health (Yale School of Public Health)
- M.Div./University of Connecticut School of Social Work
- M.Div./Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work, N.Y.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMS
- Westcott House, Cambridge, U.K.
- Baden-Württemberg Exchange, Universities of Heidelberg, Freiburg, Tübingen
- Divinity School of Chung Chi College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Trinity Theological College, Singapore

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS
- Black Church Studies
- Catholic Lay Ministerial Studies
- Educational Leadership Ministry Program
- Lutheran Studies
- Reformed Studies
- United Methodist Studies

OTHER PROGRAMS
- Cooperative M.Div. with Hartford International University for Religion and Peace
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