

## **YESHIVA OF FAR ROCKAWAY DERECH AYSON RABBINICAL SEMINARY**

### **Requirements for Admission**

Applicants to Yeshiva of Far Rockaway Derech Ayson Rabbinical Seminary are advised that the selection process is highly competitive. There are a limited number of places available for the entering class and selections are made on the basis of a combination of credentials, high school records, letters of recommendation, and promise of scholarly achievement.

Generally, students applying to Yeshiva of Far Rockaway Derech Ayson Rabbinical Seminary must meet one of the following requirements:

1. Have graduated high school and provide evidence of high school graduation
2. Have completed homeschooling at the secondary level as defined by state law and provide documentation of homeschooling
3. Meet one of the recognized equivalents. Recognized equivalents include:
  - a. A GED certificate.
  - b. A certificate or other official completion documentation demonstrating that the student has passed a state-authorized examination (such as the Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) the High School Equivalency Test (HiSET), or, in California,

the California High School Proficiency Exam) that the state recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (certificates of attendance and/or completion are not included in this qualifying category).

- c. An associate's degree.
- d. The successful completion of at least 60 semester or trimester credit hours or 72 quarter credit hours that does not result in the awarding of an associate's degree, but that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree at any institution.
- e. Enrollment in a bachelor's degree program where at least 60 semester or trimester credit hours or 72 quarter credit hours have been successfully completed, including credit hours transferred into the bachelor's degree program.

The institution will maintain documentation of the high school diploma or its recognized equivalent.

Yeshiva of Far Rockaway Derech Ayson Seminary does not utilize an Ability to Benefit test for admitting students.

Eligibility will also be based on, but not limited to:

- 1. Familiarity with Aramaic and Hebrew languages.

2. The successful completion of at least 150 folio pages of Talmud.
3. Competence in the Pentateuch and Commentaries.
4. Competence in the laws and customs in the Code of Law (Orach Chaim) and personal commitment to their observance.
5. Fine and upstanding character.

### Application Procedure

Admission to Yeshiva of Far Rockaway Derech Ayson Seminary is open to male members of the Orthodox Jewish faith regardless of race, color, national origin or physical handicap.

Interested applicants should contact:

Yeshiva of Far Rockaway Derech Ayson Rabbinical Seminary

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Application requests should be submitted by May 15. Application requests received after this date will be considered on a space availability basis. Applicants should include evidence of high school work and the names of references. Applicants determined to be eligible on the basis of their records will be invited to the Seminary for an oral examination and interview. Announcement of selections will be made within a month of the application deadline.

If accepted for admission, the student will be asked to complete an admission form.

### Advanced Standing

A limited number of students will be accepted with advanced standing. Because our program is quite intensive and built on a specific approach to Talmud study, a candidate for such status must pass a comprehensive oral examination and provide evidence of having completed courses that are similar in content and approach to the courses offered at Yeshiva of Far Rockaway Derech Ayson Rabbinical Seminary before he will be accepted at a higher level.