

UTA MESIVTA of KIRYAS JOEL

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

Requirements for Admission

Admission to UTAM is open to male members of the Orthodox Jewish faith without regard to color, race, national origin or handicap. Most accommodations are presently accessible to handicapped students, and any qualified applicant who requires special arrangements will be assisted to the best of the school's ability.

The student must have a significant exposure to the studies of the Talmudical, Bible and Jewish Law. The applicant must be a high school graduate.

Applications to UTAM must meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. completed a high school education by the beginning of the school term for which they are applying; or
- b. have a recognized equivalent of the diploma such as a GED certificate; or
- c. completed homeschooling at the secondary level; or
- d. completed six credits or 225 clock hours of college work that are applicable to a degree offered by UTAM.
- e. Talmud: The ability to independently comprehend basic Talmudic text and the completion of 156 folio pages of Talmud (in various tractates) with the commentary of Rashi.
- f. Bible: Study and mastery of the Pentateuch (with Commentary) and segments of the Prophets and Hagiographa.
- g. Familiarity with the following languages:
 1. Aramaic - basic language of the Talmud
 2. Pre-Modern Hebrew - the language of the majority of Rabbinic scholarship.
 3. Yiddish - the language of instruction at UTAM.
- h. Satisfactory competence in the laws and customs of Orthodox Jewish life and a personal commitment to their observance.
- i. A personal life style that follows the halachic principles and conforms to Yeshiva life.
- j. Fine and upstanding character as best ascertained by interviews and/or recommendations.

Application Procedures

Applicants for admission to UTAM should initiate the process by submitting a request for an admission interview. This may be done by communicating with the Yeshiva's administrative office in person at:

48 Bakertown Rd Ste. 501
Monroe, NY

10950 Or by

mail:

P.O. Box 2009
Monroe, NY 10950

The interview will include an oral examination on material recently studied by the applicant. The applicant will also be expected to present a brief dissertation on a Talmudic topic of his choice. References from his previous school or a recognized Rabbi are helpful but not necessary. For students applying from UTAM high school the process is streamlined to a brief interview with and dissertation to the Rosh HaYeshiva.

The applicant will be notified of the decision on his application within 10 days.