

APPLICATION PROCEDURES



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You have just made the first step in your journey here at Alliance Theological Seminary. We are looking forward to receiving your application. Please use this as a guide to help you complete your application. Each piece of information we receive is carefully reviewed as we seek to help you discern God's calling.

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING CHECKLIST AS YOU COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION:

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL DEGREE PROGRAMS:

Master of Divinity
Master of Professional Studies
Master of Arts

- Completed and Signed Application
- \$30.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee
- Christian Experience Statement
- Essay Questions (Short Answer Response)
- Pastoral Reference
- General Reference
- Second General Reference
- Official Baccalaureate Transcript (International transcripts must be submitted to World Education Services)
- Immunization Records

NON-DEGREE

- Completed and Signed Application
- \$30.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee
- Christian Experience Statement
- Essay Questions (Short Answer Response)
- Pastoral Reference
- General Reference
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VISITING STUDENT

- Completed and Signed Application
- \$30.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee
- Letter of Good Standing from currently enrolled Graduate School

AUDIT STUDENT

- Completed and Signed Application
- \$10.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee
- Proof of bachelor's degree

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

Complete the Requirements for your desired program and submit the following additional requirements:

English Proficiency: In addition to the regular admissions requirements, all international students for whom English is not the first language must be certified in English proficiency. The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) are accepted. The TOEFL minimum score of 550 PBT or 80 IBT or 6.5 on the IELTS is required.

International transcripts must be submitted to (WES) World Education Services for evaluation.

International students requiring an F-1 visa must submit additional documents. For more information, go to:

<http://www.nyack.edu/content/international-students>

Alliance Theological Seminary reserves the right to request a personal interview with any applicant.

COMPUTER LITERACY

Students in the Graduate programs will use an online environment for a portion of their learning. Technology skills are necessary for successful completion of the program. Applicants to the program should be able to: send and receive e-mail, open or send an e-mail attachment, conduct research using the Internet, use Microsoft Word, and download files. Students are required to have access to a computer and the Internet.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY

Nyack College is an educational institution that admits academically qualified students without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, age, disability, sex, gender, familial status, pregnancy, predisposing genetic characteristics, military status, domestic violence victim status, or criminal conviction.

CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE STATEMENT

Please type a Christian Experience Statement in 1-2 pages, using the following two questions as a guideline. Please include your name, address, phone number, date of birth, and program for which you are applying at the top of your essay.

1. *Have you accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? If yes, please state your conversion experience, fundamentals of your personal faith and present pattern of personal growth as a Christian.*
2. *Present a personal biography including a discussion of significant events and influences which have helped develop your present values and approach to life. What is God's call upon your life? How do you see Alliance Theological Seminary fitting into God's call on your life? What do you visualize your ministry/profession looking like five years after graduation? Include any additional information you would like to mention if you were talking to us personally about your calling and ministry goals.*

ESSAY QUESTIONS

Your answers to the questions below will help us get to know you and evaluate your writing skills. Please type your answer in 1–5 complete sentences on a separate page. Please include your name, address, phone number, date of birth, and program for which you are applying at the top of your essay.

1. *As you consider ministry, what are two things about yourself that will be helpful to your ministry? Describe them and tell how you learned about them.*
2. *Describe one thing about yourself that may be an obstacle to ministry and how you learned about it.*
3. *Would you describe yourself as self-disciplined? What impact does that have on your devotional life, reading and pattern of study?*
4. *Other than the Bible, what is a recent book that you have read? What is one concept from that book that challenged your way of thinking?*
5. *In your opinion, what is God's plan for mankind and how do you see God using you in that plan?*
6. *What is the most significant role that the church plays within contemporary society?*
7. *What is your understanding of how Scriptures apply to contemporary life and ministry?*
8. *On a scale of 0 - 4 (0 being the lowest, 4 being the highest), rate your knowledge of Biblical content. What aspect/part of the Bible are you most excited about exploring in depth?*
9. *At ATS we consider the study of people and culture as being important to effective ministry. Describe a lesson you have learned from an experience you had of relating to someone from a background different from your own.*
10. *How does your community (i.e. family, church, etc.) view your decision to pursue a seminary education at ATS?*