



Association of Advanced Rabbinical and Talmudic Schools, Accreditation Commission (AARTS)

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PROFILE OF ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION

2020-2021

Accreditor types: Institutional

Recognition Status: Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education

Range of Accreditation Activity: The Accreditation Commission accredits Advanced Rabbinical and Talmudic institutions located in the US and Canada which meet its standards, and which grant postsecondary degrees such as the associate, baccalaureate, master's, doctorate, First Rabbinic, First Talmudic, and Intermediary Talmudic degrees.

International Accreditation Activity:

0 Non-U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

0 U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

Yes Organization evaluates credentials or degrees from outside the U.S.

Sponsoring Organization: AARTS is the sponsoring organization. The Accreditation Commission is an independent entity.

Composition of Decision-Making Body:

4 Roshei Yeshiva or senior faculty members; 4 from the general academic world with proven credentials of academic excellence as well as familiarity with rabbinic and Talmudic studies and schools; 1 from a governing board of an accredited school; 2 from the public at large.

1,200,000 Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only

0 Direct support from any sponsoring organization

0 In-kind support from any sponsoring organization

Employees: 5 Full-time **0** Part-time

Volunteers: 34 – served 2020-2021

PROFILE OF ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONS

2020-2021

71 Accredited U.S and non-U.S. Institutions

71 Degree-Granting:

0 Public

71 Private Nonprofit

0 Private For-Profit

0 Non-Degree-Granting:

0 Public

0 Private Nonprofit

0 Private For-Profit

22,000 Students

PROFILE OF ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES

2020-2021

Frequency of Comprehensive Reviews and Required Follow-Up: Every 5-10 years.

Frequency of Comprehensive Review of Accreditation Standards: Every 5 years.

Summary of Formal Actions 2020-2021

1 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Granted

0 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied

0 Initial Accreditation Granted

0 Initial Accreditation Denied

4 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review

4 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up

0 Notice or Warning

0 Probation

0 Show Cause

0 Accreditation Terminated or Removed

0 Actions under Appeal

0 Other

Summary of Additional Actions

7 Substantive Changes Reviewed

13 Site Visits

0 Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation