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.

**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.

**Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only**
1,200,000

**Direct support from any sponsoring organization**
0

**In-kind support from any sponsoring organization**
0

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

**Volunteers:** 34 - served 2020-2021

**PROFILE OF ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONS**

2020-2021

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<th>Accredited U.S and non-U.S. Institutions</th>
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**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 Notice or Warning |
| 0 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied 0 Probation |
| 0 Initial Accreditation Granted 0 Show Cause |
| 0 Initial Accreditation Denied 0 Accreditation Terminated or Removed |
| 4 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review 0 Actions under Appeal |
| 4 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up 0 Other |

**Summary of Additional Actions**

| 7 Substantive Changes Reviewed 0 Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation |
| 13 Site Visits 0 |

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