

SOURCES OF SUPPORT

MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Admissions Committee designates several merit scholarships each year. There is no separate application for merit scholarships. The Admissions Committee each year designates the top three applicants to the M.Div. program and the top three to the M.A.R. program as Marquand Scholars. The criteria used in making these selections include exceptional academic achievement, demonstrated leadership ability, and spiritual maturity. Marquand Scholars will receive full tuition and a living allowance, renewable annually.

The William Sloane Coffin Scholars, recommended by the Admissions Committee, are selected among incoming applicants who demonstrate some of the attributes of William Coffin's prophetic leadership, his passion for social justice, and his critical theological interpretations of the contemporary social and political scene. William Sloane Coffin Scholars receive a full-tuition scholarship and a living allowance; the award is renewable.

The St. Luke's Scholarship is a merit scholarship for an entering Episcopal M.Div. student with exceptional academics and demonstrated leadership ability. The scholarship provides full tuition and a living allowance and is renewable.

Institute of Sacred Music students are eligible for full-tuition scholarships and may compete for ISM merit awards.

For more information, visit <http://divinity.yale.edu>.

NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

All YDS scholarship awards are administered through the Office of Financial Aid. A scholarship award is a gift without any expectation of repayment and is renewable. Named scholarship funds provide an important portion of the YDS scholarship budget but are not administered separately from this budget and do not require a separate application.

The scholarship awarded a student has a direct relationship to the amount of tuition billed on the student's account. If the tuition decreases or increases, the scholarship will be decreased or increased by the same proportion. If the student decides to enroll for only three courses rather than four courses in the fall term, the tuition charge is reduced by one-fourth, and that student's scholarship is reduced by one-fourth. *Students should consult with the Office of Financial Aid first to be sure that all adjustments were made before a refund is taken from their account.*

VETERANS BENEFITS

For information about eligibility and application for educational benefits for veterans, visit the United States Department of Veterans Affairs website at <http://benefits.va.gov/gibill>. To have your enrollment certified to the Veterans Administration, contact the Divinity School registrar.

LOANS

YDS utilizes the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program (unsubsidized) and the Grad PLUS Loan Program. A student must be enrolled at least half-time in a degree program and have demonstrated financial need to be eligible to receive federal funds.

EMPLOYMENT

Students receiving financial aid are expected to contribute to their expenses by earning \$4,000 during the academic year. By working ten to fifteen hours per week on campus or off campus, it will not be difficult to earn that amount. The resources of the University's Student Employment Office are available to all YDS students (www.yalestudentjobs.org).

Likewise, students may be eligible to receive federal Work-Study funds to help secure jobs on campus or with nonprofit agencies off campus. These funds are applied for at the Office of Financial Aid after a student has obtained a job.

Students in YDS occasionally have the opportunity to serve as a teaching fellow in courses in Yale College. Such opportunities normally arise only when the student has an unusually strong background in the subject of the course. The associate dean of academic affairs must approve all plans to serve as a teaching fellow before negotiations are concluded with the department offering the course and before the course actually begins to meet.