



HARVARD DIVINITY SCHOOL

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DivEx 2015

**Diversity and Explorations Program
at Harvard Divinity School**

NOVEMBER 3–5, 2015



DivEx is diverse in the fullest sense of that word—past participants' interests have ranged from Baptist ministry and Islamic spiritual leadership to international development and medicine.

DivEx 2015: Three days exploring everything Harvard Divinity School has to offer. *And it's on us.*

DivEx brings together college students and recent graduates of diverse backgrounds and interests for three eventful days at Harvard Divinity School—a one-of-a-kind school that's a global leader in advancing understanding of world religions. You'll discover what HDS is, what it offers, and what it can mean for your future. What you learn just might surprise you.



“DivEx helped me see myself here. I thought, if Harvard is bold enough to bring students like us together, then maybe this is where we should be.”

—Alton Price, DivEx 2010, MDiv '13

“DivEx demystified Harvard Divinity School for me.”

—Erika Carlsen, DivEx 2011, MDiv '15

“I’m interested in public policy, and I thought I’d be an anomaly at DivEx. I wasn’t. People had so many different ideas about what to do with a divinity school education.”

—Brooke Davis, DivEx 2010, MTS '14, MPP '14 (Harvard Kennedy School)

Diversity and Explorations

Harvard Divinity School | November 3–5, 2015

DivEx is a three-day introduction to the graduate programs of one of the world’s most distinctive divinity schools, an institution offering curricula that spans religious and cultural divides to prepare ethical leaders to work in a complex world.

In some ways, Harvard Divinity School is just what you might expect: a school that offers unparalleled preparation for a career in ministry. Our multireligious approach has propelled graduates into careers as lay and ordained ministers in Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Buddhist, Muslim, and other religious communities.

Over half of our graduates, however, pursue careers other than ministry—they are leaders in public service, academia, international relations, social justice, and many other fields. HDS opens doors to a near-infinite range of possibilities. And there’s no better way to begin exploring them than by attending DivEx.

Harvard Divinity School offers four degrees to match a range of career goals:

- Master of Divinity (MDiv)
- Master of Theological Studies (MTS)
- Master of Theology (ThM)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (PhD)*

*Joint degree offered by HDS and Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

For detailed descriptions of these programs, visit www.hds.harvard.edu.

Who It’s For

DivEx is for college undergraduates in the United States who have a commitment to diversity and social justice and who are considering careers in ministry or other fields in which the study of religion, theology, and ethics would be an asset. Recent college graduates may be considered if space is available.

The primary goal of DivEx is to bring together members of groups that are under-represented in the study of religion. With that in mind, we especially encourage applications from African American, Latino and Latina, Asian American, Pacific Islander, and Native American students. We also aim to attract students of diverse socioeconomic backgrounds, first-generation students, and LGBTQ students, among other underrepresented groups.

What It Costs

DivEx is free. We provide housing, all meals, and domestic airline, bus, or train transportation to and from Boston. (Ground transportation to and from airports, bus or train stations, or other transport terminals is *not* included.)

What You’ll Do

- **Meet faculty** who will describe our degree programs and offer insights into how these programs might meet your personal and professional needs.
- **Attend classes** of your choice from a wide range of topics, religious traditions, languages, and concepts.
- **Join the School community** for three days, getting an insider’s view of student activities such as Noon Service and Community Tea.
- **Engage with DivEx alumni and HDS students** who will share their experiences and respond to your questions about life at HDS at panel discussions.
- **Get advice** on the admissions process and financial aid.
- **Connect with your fellow DivEx participants**, both informally and semi-formally, including at the closing night’s faculty, staff, and student dinner.



The DivEx 2015 faculty speaker will be Matthew Potts, Assistant Professor of Ministry Studies. Professor Potts’s work engages the theology and practices of Christian communities with a focus on the relationship among narrative, liturgy and ethics. His work particularly analyzes Christian sacramental practices through the resources of literature, literary theory, and Christian theology.

How to Apply

Applications are due September 15, 2015. You’ll find information about how to apply at www.hds.harvard.edu/divex.

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