Join us this fall!

Diversity and Explorations

at Harvard Divinity School
DivEx: 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.
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The DivEx Program 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)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (PhD)
- Doctor of Theology (ThD)

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

Who’s It 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, 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
- Join the School community for three days, getting an insider’s view of student life from a variety of perspectives.
- Meet faculty, staff, and students 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.
- Engage with DivEx alumni and HDS students who will share their experiences and respond to your questions about life at HDS.
- Get advice on the admissions process, financial aid, and graduate theological education.
- Network with your fellow DivEx participants and current HDS student leaders.
- Attend informal and semi-formal gatherings.

How to Apply
Applications are due mid-September, each year. You’ll find information about how to apply at www.hds.harvard.edu/divex.

To learn more, please contact us:
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“DivEx demystified Harvard Divinity School for me.”

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