

## REQUIREMENTS FOR RABBINICAL DEGREE

### I. A. Bible

1. A knowledge of biblical history from the patriarchs to the destruction of the temple.  
  
A knowledge of the source - critical theories of the bible, with especial emphasis on the peculiarity of Israel in relation to the ancient near east.
2. A knowledge of Chumash.
3. A familiarity with the psalms especially those psalms used in liturgy
4. See bibliography

### B. Talmudic Period

1. A knowledge of the development of Hebrew religion during the inter-testamental period with attention paid to the sectarian movements of the times: e.g gnosticism, essences, christianity.
2. A reading ability in Talmud
3. An appreciation of the types of Midrash and a familiarity with the bibliographic reference material on Midrash. An ability to use Midrashic texts.

### C. The Medieval Period

1. An ability to read Zohar or Tishbi's Mishnat Hazohar
2. A passing knowledge of the development of Jewish philosophy and mysticism during this period.
3. An acquaintance with the world of Hasidism.

### D. The Modern Period

1. An appreciation of the problems in Judaism connected with emancipation and the breakdown of Jewish community.
2. A knowledge of the Holocaust literature.
3. A familiarity with the development of Zionist Ideology.

### E. Halacha

An outline Knowledge of the laws connected with

1. The Sabbath
2. The Festivals
3. Kashruth
4. Marriage
5. Funerals and Mourning

### F. Liturgy

II. Presentation before a faculty committee of a major paper setting forth either A. The candidate's theological viewpoint in coherent form; or B. The candidate's view of the major problems confronting Judaism, and the major problems to be faced in developing a coherent theology.

Q. The student should acquire the ability to deal with pastoral aspects of the Rabbinate.

F. Liturgy  
 1. A basic knowledge of the makeup of Siddur, the arrangement of prayers.  
 2. A familiarity with the laws of the synagogue, the laws of prayer, and synagogue skills.

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