



**2019 Essay Questions**  
**Priority Deadline: November 30, 2018**

In a single document, please respond to the following two questions. Your answers should be typed and fill approximately one double-spaced page each. Please do not exceed 500 words per essay. Please take time to think carefully about your responses before you begin writing. Our goal is to get to know you better through this application process. **Essays may be uploaded at the time of application or emailed to [duyouth@div.duke.edu](mailto:duyouth@div.duke.edu). In both cases, essays are due on November 30, 2018.** Applications and essays received after November 30 will be reviewed on a rolling basis depending on availability.

**Essay Question #1**

Tell us about your journey of faith. In your response, include times of blessing and growth as well as times of struggle and confusion. How will your journey, your experiences, and your gifts contribute to the community of the Duke Youth Academy?

**Essay Question #2**

Write a reflective response to the “Baptismal Theology at DYA” video (<http://youtu.be/H24hh1LAF5g>). In your essay, explain what you believe the core message of the video is, share what that message means to your faith journey, and how you see DYA’s theology of Baptism contributing to your faith journey.