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Post-Graduate Programme in Management (2011-2013 Batch) Admission Procedure for Overseas Candidates

NOTE:

Our admission procedure for overseas candidates begins on October 15, 2010. Please do NOT send your applications before that date. Please arrange to send your applications so that they reach us ONLY ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 15, 2010.

Last date for receiving applications from overseas candidates: December 15, 2010

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Indians resident outside India, and foreign nationals, fall under the "Overseas Candidates" category. To qualify as an Indian resident abroad, a candidate should be an Indian who expects to live, work or study outside India for at least 12 months continuously as of December 15, 2010. Overseas candidates who expect to be resident in India during the period July 1, 2010 to December 15, 2010, will, however, have to take the Institute's Common Admission Test (CAT). The second stage of the admission process, i.e. personal interviews, will be held in India. Candidates called for this stage will have to make their own travel arrangements and produce evidence of having qualified for the "Overseas Candidates" category.

The Post-Graduate Programme in Management (PGP) is the oldest, and most prestigious, of the Institute's teaching programmes. Ranked the best in the country, and among the best in the Asia-Pacific region, the PGP emphasizes innovative problem solving, shared perspectives, applied management philosophy, and stimulating group work. The PGP aims at creating capable professional managers by continually exposing them to unstructured real-life problems and challenges facing businesses in a variety of environments. The PGP develops in its students strong problem-solving skills and a robust strategic outlook. It also exposes them to a variety of analytical tools, business philosophies, and management situations, thus enabling them to develop global perspectives on the economic, technological, cultural, and political aspects of business. The IIMA's PGP extends over two academic years, and the diploma awarded is equivalent to the Master of Business Administration degree.

Each academic year begins in June/July and ends in March/April, and has six slots. The summer vacation at the end of the first academic year is utilized to provide an organizational orientation to students. Placement activities start towards the end of the second academic year.

Eligibility

The candidate must hold a Bachelor's Degree, with at least 50% marks or equivalent CGPA (in case of the candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC)/ Scheduled Tribe (ST) and Differently Abled (DA) category, this is relaxed to 45%), of any of the Universities incorporated by an act of the central or state legislature in India or other educational institutions established by an act of Parliament or declared to be deemed as a University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956, or possess an equivalent qualification recognized by the Ministry of HRD, Government of India. The Bachelor's Degree or equivalent qualification obtained by the candidate must entail a minimum of three years of education after completing higher secondary schooling (10+2) or equivalent. The percentage obtained by the candidate in the bachelor's degree would be based on the practice followed by the university/institution from where the candidate has obtained the degree. In case of the candidates being awarded grades/CGPA instead of marks, the equivalence would be based on the equivalence certified by the university/institution from where they have obtained bachelor's degree. In case the university/ institution does not have any scheme for converting CGPA into equivalent marks, the equivalence would be established by IIMA by dividing obtained CGPA with the maximum possible CGPA and multiplying the result with 100.



Candidates appearing for the final year bachelor's degree / equivalent qualification examination and those who have completed degree requirement and are awaiting results can also apply. Such candidates must produce a certificate from the Principal/Head of the Department/Registrar/Director of the university/ institution certifying that the candidate is currently in the final year / is awaiting final results and has obtained at least 50% marks or equivalent (45% in case of candidates belonging to SC/ST/DA category) based on latest available grades/marks. Such candidates, if selected, will be allowed to join the programme provisionally only if they submit a certificate latest by June 30, 2011 from the Principal/Registrar of their college/institute (issued on or before June 30, 2011) stating that they have completed all the requirements (the results may, however, be awaited) for obtaining the bachelor's degree/ equivalent qualification on the date of issue of the certificate. Their admission will be confirmed only when the candidate submits the mark sheet and a certificate of having passed the bachelor's degree / equivalent qualification referred to in the certificate issued by the Principal/Registrar with at least 50% marks (45% in case of candidates belonging to SC/ST/DA category). The deadline for submission of the mark sheet and the certificate is December 31, 2011. Non-fulfillment of this condition will automatically result in the cancellation of the provisional admission. IIMA would not allow any candidate to join their programme in case the candidate is unable to complete all the requirements for a bachelor degree on or before June 30, 2011. The IIMA would also not offer admission to any candidate after June 30, 2011.

Curriculum

The first year's curriculum is compulsory and covers the basic functional areas of accounting and finance, behavioural science, communication, economics, information technology, marketing, personnel management and industrial relations, operations management, and quantitative methods. At the end of the first year, a student works in an organisation on a summer assignment lasting eight to ten weeks.

The second year courses provide the students with an opportunity to pursue studies in areas of special interest to them. Therefore, all the second year courses are electives. This approach helps students develop an integrated approach to solving management problems.

Selection

The selection of candidates for admission to the 2011-13 batch of the PGP at IIM Ahmedabad is a two-step process.