

Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs)

Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Calcutta, Indore, Kashipur, Kozhikode, Lucknow, Raipur, Ranchi, Rohtak, Shillong, Tiruchirappalli and Udaipur

Common Admission Test (CAT) 2011

The Indian Institutes of Management will conduct Common Admission Test 2011 (CAT2011) during a 20-days testing window between **October 22, 2011 and November 18, 2011**. CAT2011 will be conducted by IIMs as a pre-requisite for admission to various management programmes of IIMs. These programmes are:

A. Post Graduate Programmes in Management:

		Website Addresses:
■ IIM Ahmedabad	PGP and PGP-ABM	www.iimahd.ernet.in
■ IIM Bangalore	PGP, PGSEM and PGPPM	www.iimb.ernet.in
■ IIM Calcutta	PGP-PGDM and PGP-PGDCM	www.iimcal.ac.in
■ IIM Indore	PGP and EPGP	www.iimdr.ac.in
■ IIM Kashipur	PGP	www.iimk.ac.in
■ IIM Kozhikode	PGP	www.iimk.ac.in
■ IIM Lucknow	PGP and PGP-ABM	www.iiml.ac.in
■ IIM Raipur	PGP	www.iimraipur.ac.in
■ IIM Ranchi	PGDM and PGDHRM	www.iimranchi.ac.in
■ IIM Rohtak	PGP	www.iimrohtak.ac.in
■ RGIIM Shillong	PGP	www.iimshillong.in
■ IIM Tiruchirappalli	PGP	www.iimtrichy.ac.in
■ IIM Udaipur	PGP	www.iimu.ac.in

B. Fellow Programmes in Management (FPM) [equivalent to Ph.D.] of IIM Ahmedabad, IIM Bangalore, IIM Calcutta, IIM Indore, IIM Kozhikode, IIM Lucknow, IIM Raipur, IIM Ranchi and IIM Tiruchirappalli

Separate advertisements will appear for the Fellow Programme of each institute as well as PGP-ABM of IIM Ahmedabad and IIM Lucknow, PGSEM and PGPPM Programmes of IIM Bangalore, PGDCM Programme of IIM Calcutta, EPGP of IIM Indore and PGDHRM of IIM Ranchi. Before a prospective candidate makes a decision to appear for CAT2011, he/she must visit the websites and/or read programme advertisements of the concerned IIMs and specific programmes to ensure which programmes they want to apply for, eligibility requirements and admission processes. List of non-IIM member institutions that have registered to avail the CAT2011 scores is provided at www.catiim.in. CAT2011 scores are restricted only for admission to IIMs and non-IIM member institutions. A candidate can appear for CAT2011 only once during the 20-days testing window.

INFORMATION SOURCES:

CAT website : www.catiim.in
IVRS Number : 1 800 103 7383

CAT2011 ELIGIBILITY

The candidate must hold a Bachelor's Degree, with at least 50% marks or equivalent CGPA [45% in case of the candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST) and Differently Abled (DA) (It may also referred to as Persons with Disability (PWD) categories], awarded by 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 the UGC Act, 1956, or possess an equivalent qualification recognized by the Ministry of HRD, Government of India. The percentage of marks obtained by the candidate in the bachelor's degree would be calculated based on the practice followed by the university/institution from where the candidate has obtained the degree. In case the candidates are awarded grades/CGPA instead of marks, the conversion of grades/CGPA to percentage of marks would be based on the procedure certified by the university/institution from where they have obtained the 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 dividing the candidate's CGPA by the maximum possible CGPA and multiplying the result with 100. Candidates appearing for the final year of bachelor's degree/equivalent qualification examination and those who have completed degree requirements and are awaiting results can also apply. If selected, such candidates will be allowed to join the programme provisionally, only if he/she submits a certificate latest by June 30, 2012 from the Principal/Registrar of his/her College/Institute (issued on or before June 30, 2012) stating that the candidate has completed all the requirements for obtaining the bachelor's degree/equivalent qualification on the date of the issue of the certificate. IIMs may verify eligibility at various stages of the selection process, the details of which are provided at the website www.catiim.in. Applicants should note that the mere fulfillment of minimum eligibility criteria will not ensure consideration for shortlisting by IIMs.

Prospective candidates must maintain a valid and unique email account and a phone number throughout the selection process.

RESERVATIONS

As per the Government of India requirements, 15% of the seats are reserved for Scheduled Caste (SC) and 7½% for Scheduled Tribe (ST) candidates. 27% of seats are reserved for Other Backward Classes (OBC) candidates belonging to the "non-creamy" layer.

For an updated list of state-wise OBCs eligible for availing the benefit of reservation, please see the list maintained by the NCBC at its website <http://ncbc.nic.in/backward-classes/index.html>. You may also access information in respect of the creamy layer at <http://ncbc.nic.in/html/creamy.html> as well as the clarifications issued by the Department of Personnel & Training on the definition of creamy layer and income criteria at http://persmin.gov.in/WriteData/WMS/ScanDocument/36033_5_2004_01April2005.htm. In case of NC-OBC category, the castes included in Central List of NC-OBC by the National Council of Backward Classes, Government of India as on

September 28, 2011 (Last day of registration) will be used. Any subsequent changes will not be effective for CAT2011.

As per the provision under section 39 of the PWD Act, 1995, 3% seats are reserved for Differently Abled (DA) candidates. The three categories of disability are: a) low-vision/blindness, b) hearing impairment, and c) locomotor disability/cerebral palsy. This provision is applicable if the candidate suffers from any of the listed disabilities to the extent of not less than 40%, as certified by a medical authority as prescribed and explained in the said Act.

The candidates belonging to categories for which seats are reserved need to note and read the eligibility requirements carefully before applying. It should be noted that while it is the endeavour of IIMs that the candidates belonging to SC/ST/PWD/Non-Creamy OBC categories join the Programme in proportions mandated by the law, they have to meet the minimum eligibility criteria and a certain minimum level of performance in the admission process. The candidates should read carefully the description of admission process followed by each IIM on their respective websites. **No change in the category will be entertained after the closure of registration window, hence, the applicants are advised to give attention while registering.**

SALE OF CAT2011 VOUCHERS:

The CAT2011 Vouchers can be obtained from branches of Axis Bank and their associated outlets during the period from Wednesday, 17 August 2011 to Monday, 26 September 2011 for Rs. 1600/- (Rs. 800/- for SC/ST candidates). Visit the CAT2011 website (www.catiim.in) for exact locations of Axis bank branches and their associated outlets where voucher sale is arranged.

Please note that a candidate needs to buy only one "CAT2011 Voucher" irrespective of the number of institutes he/she is applying for. **Note that the Voucher must be bought only in the name of the candidate as it appears in the school leaving certificate.** If the name has been changed due to events such as marriage, the candidate must produce the relevant document such as a marriage certificate and submit a photocopy at the time of the test, interview and at the time of joining a programme. SC and ST candidates must show a copy of their SC/ST Certificates at the time of obtaining the CAT2011 Voucher from the Axis Bank branches.

Voucher once sold cannot be refunded under any circumstance including but not limited to loss of voucher, inability to read voucher number due to mishandling of the voucher by candidate, candidate being ineligible for taking CAT2011, CAT2011 not being a pre-requisite for a programme, and rejection of candidate registration due to incomplete and/or wrong information. If the voucher is lost, voucher number is not readable due to mishandling of the voucher by candidate, and/or candidate thinks he/she has made mistake(s) in filling-out information during the online registration, then the candidate can purchase a new voucher and re-register online.

REGISTRATION FOR CAT2011:

On purchasing the CAT2011 Voucher, prospective candidates must log on to the website www.catiim.in to register for CAT2011. The registration window starts on **August 17, 2011** and will close on **September 28, 2011**. Details of the registration process are provided at the website www.catiim.in.

Candidates should view the CAT2011 video which will be available on www.catiim.in from **August 15, 2011** onwards. A short audio recording with key highlights from the video will be available on **+91 124 451 7178** during the registration & scheduling period.

TEST CENTRES:

Visit the CAT2011 website (www.catiim.in) for the choice of test sites spread across 36 Test Cities in the country for appearing for CAT2011. IIMs reserve the right to change or cancel any test venue/centre and/or change the test window time and dates at their own discretion.

CAT2011 SCORE:

A candidate's CAT2011 score card will be available to the candidate at the website www.catiim.in from **January 11, 2012**. Candidates must retain a print-out of their score card. CAT2011 score card is valid till December 31, 2012. The candidates will be able to download the score card from the website www.catiim.in till December 31, 2012. Subsequent to that date no queries related to issuance of CAT2011 score cards will be entertained.

ADMISSION PROCESS:

Please note that each IIM shortlists candidates for second stage of selection which may be independent of each other. The process may include Written Ability Test (WAT), Group Discussions (GD) and Personal Interviews (PI). Performance in CAT2011 examination is an important component in the admission process. IIMs may use previous academic performance of the candidates, relevant work experience and other similar inputs in short listing and ranking of candidates at various stages of the admission process. The processes, academic cut-offs and the weights allocated to the evaluation parameters may vary across IIMs. For more information you may refer the admissions policies of IIMs from their respective websites.

DISCLAIMER:

Instances of incorrect information and process violation detected at any stage of the selection process will lead to disqualification of the candidate from the selection process and he/she will not be allowed to appear for CAT in future. If such instances go undetected during the current selection process but are detected in subsequent years, such disqualification will take place with retrospective effect.

Candidates must retain this advertisement for future reference. Any dispute concerning CAT2011 would be subject to Jurisdiction of the competent Courts within the territorial jurisdiction of City of Kolkata only.